Goal For 1950 Beat Taft

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You Said It To The Inquiring Reporter

The recent announcement by the management of the Standard Commutator that it has sold its plant to other interest will have approximately 40 active workers and many now laid off looking for new jobs. Some will have difficulty finding new employment due to age and for others it will be as difficult a task simply because there are no jobs available in Toledo.

The Union Journal Inquiring Reporter interviewed the Commutator workers on future plans and their opinion on the Pension and Health and Security program of the UAW in Toledo.

Here are their answers:

J. O. Britton, Aire lathe operator and having 20 years of seniority: "The announcement came like a bomb shell. Here I have been a worker for 20 years and being 59 years old will be tough to find another job. I know that I will need the help of our union to find me a job for who can live on the meager Federal Social Security benefits. I would not feel too bad if we had the area pension plan in effect now. It really would be nice to know that I could carry my 20 years of credited service to another plant or if retiring would have a decent pension allowance."

J. O. Britton

Emma Weaver, assembler with 9½ years of service: "It is a tough break for all of us and we find ourselves in a position of no job and no seniority. It certainly would be comforting if we had the Area Pension plan for it would give us the opportunity to retain our working credit towards a full pension allowance. We should help fight harder than ever to win the pension plan."

Emma Weaver

Eva Iaguli, assembler, 9½ years: "Our situation should wake up all union members and get in the fight to win a pension plan. Who knows, if we don't get a pension plan soon others may find themselves in the plight that we are in. It came as a big surprise when it was announced that operations would be transferred to another locality. It is not pleasant to find yourself without a job and no seniority towards a pension."

Eva Iaguli

John H. Smith, punch press operator, 21 years service: "Well here we are, no job, no security and no insurance plan. It was a rotten deal by the company. I suppose, to have protection we will have to sign up for an outside insurance plan and pay high premiums in order to be protected. I wish we had the area pension plan in effect now, at least we could have something to look forward to."

John H. Smith

Sam Scott, straightener, 9 years of service: "Believe me we who now have to look for jobs are facing a tough problem. Making it worse is that we lose all of our working credit towards the Area Pension. If this doesn't wake up all of the union members and get behind the Plaskon workers in their fight nothing will. I hope others will not have the tough luck we now have."

Sam Scott

Arnold Miller, punch press operator 9 years: "We are in an unpleasant position having no job, no credit for pension and without insurance benefits. It means we have to sign up for a higher plan until we get employment where there is a insurance plan in effect. By that time I sincerely hope we will have the UAW plan because from what I learned it is an answer to the workers problems.

Arnold Miller

Irene Smith, test bench worker, 9½ years: "Finding ourselves practically jobless and no prospect of finding another job soon is how important the fight is to win the Area Pension Plan and our health insurance and security program. It's too bad for us that we do not have it in the contract now. That would at least give us a little comfort and to know that we would save our years of working credit."

Irene Smith

AT PLASKON AND LMC MEDIATION IN COMMODORE PERRY HOTEL, MONDAY. Seated left to right at left, John Smith, Vern Boulis, Ray Morse, Al Yeager, Plaskon Union committeemen; Charles Ballard, Region 2-B UAW-CIO Director; Richard Gosser, International UAW-CIO Vice President and Cliff Ripke, Plaskon committeeman. Standing back of union negotiating committee are Clarence (Pop) Jackson, Cyrus Martin, International Representative on Ballard's staff, Bud Davis, Joe Rometski and Tom Burke, Congressman from the Ninth District who dropped in to hear the mediation. Seated at head table are Joseph Nuffer, representing management on the LMC panel; Dr. Morton Goldberg, Rabbi B'nai Israel Congregation, public representative and Councilman Franz Berlacher, business agent of the Milk Drivers Union who represents labor on the panel. Seated at right are David Goodwillie, Libbey Owens Ford Glass, of which Plaskon is a subsidiary; Leland Lord, attorney and W. W. Knight, Jr., manager of the Plaskon plants.

Plaskon Makes New Offer Strikers Wait For Details

Company paid health insurance has been offered by Plaskon before the LMC, and the possibility of a break in the strike, now entering its eleventh week, offered some encouragement to the membership.

The offer had several gimmicks, which have, up to now, made agreement on specific points difficult for the negotiators.

Agreement before the LMC panel bogged down originally over the tight-as-a-drum picket line which had kept not only production workers but office and maintenance workers as well as those in the laboratory cooling their heels outside.

Management told the panel, consisting of Dr. Morton Goldberg (chairman), Joseph H. Nuffer (management) and Franz Berlacher (labor), that until the non-production workers and supervisory force could get in, there would be no bargaining.

When it became clear that (a) the company would bargain if the line opened a little and (b) the company would not permit supervisory employees to do production work, the unit negotiators agreed to the concession.

From then on, progress was made in a seven hour session at the Hotel Commodore Perry, with Richard Gosser, UAW-CIO Vice President, and John D. Biggers, President of Libbey-Owens-Ford, as the chief negotiators.

Nothing definite was agreed, except that offers extended by the company would be reduced to writing and submitted to the committee for examiniation.

If the offers so far made satisfied the negotiating committee, once a written detail of them was made, it was the plan of the committee to go before the membership for an expression of rank-and-file sentiment.

LMC recessed subject to call until the written offers and unit opinion could be effected.

Several concessions demanded by management as a condition of the health program (which was not explained in detail by the negotiating teams) still constitute a serious block, according to observers.

But the fact that specific offers have been made and are to be reduced to writing convinced many that the end of the long strike was not too far distant.

Meanwhile the Plaskon workers stood firm, and watched with experienced eyes the bargaining steps which would, they insisted, get them a good contract before the plant would open again.

Tickets Free To Youngsters

Ducats Given On Compliments Of Richard Gosser

Here's good news for boys and girls. Free tickets will be available to any youngster who wants to see the boxing show at the Sports Arena on May 12.

The boxing bouts are sponsored by the United Labor Committee and the free tickets to the youngsters will be given by Richard Gosser, International UAW-CIO Vice President.

Interested youngsters wanting to see the fights are requested to contact Mr. Gosser's secretary at Local 12 headquarters, UAW-CIO, 425 Winthrop St. at Ashland. Mr. Gosser's office is on the fourth floor and the tickets can be obtained from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Local 12 Band Being Formed

High School Students Are Invited To Join

The first reorganizational meeting of the Local 12 senior band was held April 4 with a fine attendance, according to C. E. Broderick, director.

He aims to organize the band with the same merits as of previous years when the band, playing under the banner of Local 12, achieved nationwide recognition. They also played at many UAW national conventions.

Of High School Age

Membership in the band will continue to be accepted and is open to all boys and girls of High School age.

Mr. Broderick said that interviews for the junior band, also to be sponsored by Local 12, are held every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. To date, response to forming a junior band, has been very encouraging, the director said.

Record breaking profits, about double the 1948 figures, were reported for 1949 to Libbey-Owens-Ford stockholders at the Commodore Perry Hotel yesterday, by President John D. Biggers. He said business so far this year was still at record high levels. No mention was made public of any reference to Plaskon workers, still on strike for standard benefits.

Journeymen Asked To Be At Local

All Journeymen that have been certified and have not had their picture for their card are requested to be at Local 12 Saturday, April 22, it was announced by Frank Johnson, President of the northwestern Ohio Skilled Trades Council.

The pictures will be taken in room 421 at 10 a.m. at Local 12, UAW-CIO, 425 Winthrop St., he said.

Cook Wanted!

A Cook wanted for the Local 12 Summer Camp. Applications are available in room 203 at Local 12, UAW-CIO 425 Winthrop St.

Applicants are assured of good wages, working conditions complete with room and board.

Facts About Local 12

Tune in to radio stations WTOD and WTOL Monday through Friday at 7:10 p.m. to learn "Facts About Local 12."

The program is broadcast in answer to the smear compaign being conducted against the UAW and its Union leaders.

W-O MEETS FRIDAY APRIL 21

The monthly meeting of Willys-Overland Unit, Local 12 UAW-CIO which meets regularly on the first Friday of every month will have the April meeting next week Friday at Scott High School, it was announced by Homer Avery, Unit chairman.

He said the regular date was moved back due to Good Friday.

The Unit chairman urges all members to attend as important business will be discussed. The meeting will began at 8 p. m.

Fishing Is Ended With Court Ruling

Kiss-And-Tell Forbidden

The Court of Appeals has, in effect, told John A. Bolman, "Take a gander, but keep your trap shut."

In the classical language of the courts, it has ruled that Bolman may look at the AWBC books, but must not divulge the contents unless he finds fraud.

Since there is no fraud, there is no case.
Bolman may peek.
Bolman may poke.
But Bolman can NOT babble.

No Publication Judges Decree

The fishing expedition begun when the Blade gave John A. Bolman $5,000 toward his legal fees has come to an end.

A unanimous decision of three judges of the Court of Appeals handed down yesterday gives Bolman the right to look at the books — a right no one denied him — but no right to disclose the contents.

There will be no new smear material, no copy for the Blade, and no further action.

The order specifies that only in the event he discovers evidence of fraud, which doesn't exist, can he go on from there.

The court made two "journal entries", or judgments.

1—The Emil Mazey committee have the right to inspect the AWBC books, with Bolman and his counsel looking on.

2—Bolman has the right to inspect the books with his agents and his counsel . . . BUT

A paragraph was attached to the Bolman decision which follows:

Judges Said:

"It is further ordered, judged and decreed that the plaintiff and his agents and attorneys be enjoined from disclosing any information obtained by them from such inspection to any person or persons excepting as may be made in any legal action or proceeding brought by him for the benefit of said corporation or its members or in their interest or behalf."

One union member at headquarters, when he heard the results of the Court of Appeals ruling said:

"I guess that knocks Bolman's BLOCK off! Junior, that is."

Lowell Goerlich, attorney for the AWBC, fought for that paragraph; and Hal P. Ells (the attorney Block found for Bolman) and Dudley Smith, of the Ells office, fought in court yesterday to keep it out of the judgment.

The union has taken the position that Bolman has always been privileged to examine the books — and the offer was made to him some time ago; but he has no right to disclose the contents to anti-union groups, or to the Blade.

The court unanimously supported this position.

Bad Precedent

The union has been forced to defend itself not against an inspection of the books, but a precedent which might well have opened the way for union-smashing on a huge scale.

If Bolman had won the right to peek and broadcast, any anti-union group could have found a malcontent, given him $5000 toward lawyers' fees, and began a search of the books for the purpose of spreading the rumor that something was out of line.

And even though, weeks later, a careful study of the books found them to be in perfect order, as the AWBC books are, there would always have been a few who would believe to their dying day that there had been something fishy somewhere.

That kind of stunt has been stopped in its tracks.

It was not stopped, however, without a fight.

They Fought

A hard working labor attorney, a hard fighting union leader willing to take the smears, and a solidly loyal labor union had to stand up and take it against a campaign of personal vilification and legal sleight-of-hand before the matter was resolved.

Lowell Goerlich fought through the courts.

Richard Gosser (believed by many to have been the principal target in the whole campaign) had to suffer the humiliation of contempt proceedings, and those who trusted their leaders had to listen to the rumors and the scandal mongers before the decision was finally won.

Now the matter of the AWBC books, the Will-O-Land Sportsmen's Club and the private life of Richard Gosser are back in perspective.

Challenge

Taft Called To Marion To Investigate Strike

Senator A. Taft has been challenged to intervene personally in the grim strike at Storm Windows of Aluminum in Marion.

In a letter mailed to the Taft-Hartley Act sponsor yesterday, Charles Ballard, Regional 2-B, UAW-CIO Director, invited Taft to go to Marion and see for himself how the labor law provides "loopholes for management" and "booby traps for labor."

The UAW-CIO strike in Marion is a clear-cut example of how a management bent on union-busting can use the law to do it.

The 100 employes at the plant won bargaining rights last Summer. Since that time, the union attorney has been beaten up, the union president has been beaten up, three pickets have been struck by a scab-driven automobile, and several have suffered tear-gas burns, one requiring treatment.

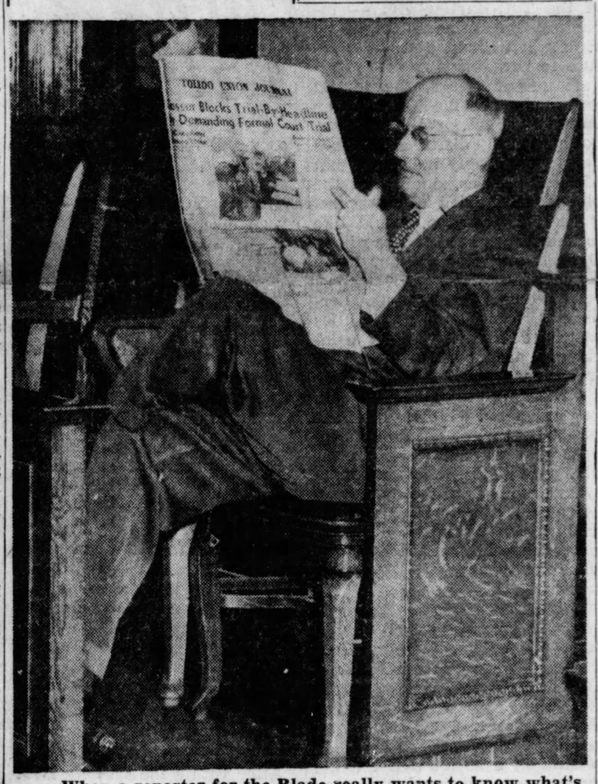
And through it all, in spite of intervention by local clergymen and the good offices of the U.S. Conciliator, the company has flatly refused to bargain on wages or hours, or to put any agreement in writing.

William Busa, secretary-treasurer of the company, told Emerson Baringer of the UAW-CIO staff, and a negotiating committee yesterday that he'd "obey the law" about hours and wages, but wouldn't negotiate them, bargain on them, nor put them in a contract.

That is, of course, a flagrant violation of the law./ Even the Taft-Hartley Act forbids refusal to bargain.

But the contrast in how the law operates where labor is concerned, as against what it does to management, was pointed out in the letter to Taft.

Getting It Straight



When a reporter for the Blade really wants to know what's going on in Toledo, all he has to do is read the Toledo Union Journal. Here, Ralph Phelps, assigned by the Blade to the Bolman suit, is seen in the jury box in Common Pleas Court, brushing up on the facts.

Injured so far in the strike at Storm Windows in Marion have been:

Attorney Thomas Fetter: brass knuckles, assailant not identified.

Local President John Burke: brass knuckles, assailant not caught.

Pickets Florence Butcher, Everett Thompson and Charles Hook: struck by scab-driven automobile.

Picket Otis McCloskey: severe tear-gas injuries, requiring clinical treatment.

Pickets no identified: sickened by tear-gas.

When picketing increased at the plant April 6, and scabs were driven back into the factory building, the company was able to get a Taft-Hartley Act injunction within the hour.

But before the full operation of the Act can be brought to bear to force management to bargain, and sign a contract, at least two years can have passed. Eight months have gone by already.

A shortcut is now being tried by the union, in the hope of getting something a great deal quicker in the way of relief for the workers in Marion.

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Applications Being Accepted For Work, Camping Periods

Periods To Begin On June 18; Open To All Boys And Girls

Applications for camping periods and for camp help for the Boys and Girls Local 12 Summer Camp are now available in the ULC office on the second floor at Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St.

The camp will officially open on June 18 for boys with campfire period through July 29. Girl periods will begin on July 30 and end September 2. The camping periods are available to all boys and girls whether parents are CIO union members or not. This will give every youngster an opportunity to spend a vacation at the camp, Richard Gosser, camp president said.

Also available in the ULC office are applications for camp help such as senior counselors, water front man and maintenance work.

Interviews of applicants for jobs will be conducted in the near future.

Acklin Unit Votes Support For Plaskon

Acklin Stamping Unit of Local 12, UAW-CIO by a two-thirds vote levied a 50 cent assessment to support the Plaskon workers for the duration of the strike, it was announced by Lewis Mattox, Unit chairman.

The vote was taken at the Unit meeting on March 25, the Unit chairman said. Acklin Unit has approximately 425 members.

Finance Comm. Will Meet Every Tuesday

There will be a meeting of the Finance Committee at 8 p.m. every Tuesday night at Local 12, UAW-CIO, 425 Winthrop St.

Every representative from every plant should attend. It will be shown at this meeting where every dollar is being spent and for what purpose.

It is the contention that if the representatives attend and give a full report back to the plant some of the confusion that now exists will be eliminated.

Men Invited To Join Choral

The Women's Choral is open to men interested in singing. Eventually the women hope to form a Glee Club to represent Local 12, UAW-CIO.

Membership will be limited and applications are now being accepted, it was announced by C. E. Broderick, director.

Practice sessions are held every Monday evening at Local 12 Hall at 8 p.m. Those interested are asked to attend the next practice.

The Choral will make an appearance at the Willys-Overland Unit meeting Friday, April 21, at Scott High School.

Buy Toledo

Taft Votes For Kerr Gas Bill

COLUMBUS — Senator Taft again voted FOR the profits of Big Business and AGAINST the pocketbooks of Ohio housewives.

He cast his vote for the Kerr natural gas bill, which passed the Senate by a six-vote margin.

Opponents of measure insist that it will mean consumers will pay from $180,000,000 to $5,00,000,0000 a year more for natural gas.

In the words of Jack Kroll, President of the CIO Council and Director of National CIO-PAC, the Kerr bill is "an open and brazen manipulation by Taft and others to send gas rates sky high."

Removes Regulations

Under the bill passed by the Senate, Kroll pointed out, "An important segment of the gas industry is removed from the jurisdiction of the Federal Power Commission. The removal of regulations on natural gas at the source will mean a windfall of profits for Standard Oil and the other barons of the oil and gas industry, but a headache and a heartache for housewives."

Washington observers say Taft's support of the bill, offered just a few hours before the actual vote was taken, tipped the scales in favor of the bill and was probably responsible for passage.

Taft's only argument was that the measure would increase governmental control.

Offers No Rebuttal

He offered no rebuttal to opponent's arguments, summed up by Illinois Democrat, Senator Paul Douglas, who labeled the bill an "Easter present" to the huge oil and gas interests. This measure, Douglas,' said, "would be almost pure gravy for the big boys who are already making big profits."

Junior Senator John W. Bricker of Ohio followed Taft's example. Both cast their votes to take money out of the pocketbooks of Ohio's hard-pressed housewives.

FBI Role Lightened In Employe Probe For Proposed NSF

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The FBI will not be placed in the role of judge and jury for prospective employees and recipients of scholarships at the proposed National Science Foundation, Senate and House conferees agreed informally in discussing safeguards for the planned foundation.

Instead, the FBI will be called upon to investigate prospective employees and scholarship recipients who would have access to information pertinent to security and turn the findings over to the foundation for action.

Michigan Prison Local Votes CIO Affiliation

MARQUETTE, Mich. (LPA)—Local 383 of the United Government Workers of America has voted to seek affiliation with the Government and Civic Workers Organizing Committee and membership in the Michigan CIO Council. The local is made up of employees of the Marquette State Prison, and is the seventh UGWA local to seek CIO affiliation. The UGWA consists of local unions of state and government employees which bolted the United Public Workers before that group was ousted by CIO on charges of following Communist Party policy.

Die Casting Organizing Given Boost

CLEVELAND—Richard Gosser, Director of the UAW-CIO Die Casting Department, announces that the drive to bring the rest of the die casting plants into the UAW has been given a big boost by the expulsion of Mine Mill and Smelter Workers from CIO. The rank and file of the expelled unions are in open revolt against their former leaders.

In Los Angeles, California, the overwhelming majority of the employees of the Adams Campbell Company have joined the UAW and announced through their spokesman that they no longer want to belong to Mine Mill. A petition for an election has been filed with the NLRB and a hearing on the petition was to be held on April 5th. At the big Phelps Dodge plant in Los Angeles, where Mine-Mill has been the bargaining agent for six years, a large number of the members have joined the UAW. Mine Mill has organized goon squads in the plant to attempt to intimidate the workers and prevent them from learning the details of why Mine Mill was expelled from CIO. A goon squad of 55 to 60 people was organized to prevent the UAW from distributing handbills at the gate.

Petitions have been filed with the NLRB in Kansas City by the UAW Regional Office for an election at Rupert Die Casting Company, Injection Molding Company, and Industrial Products Company. All three plants are, at present ,in the Mine Mill and Smelter Workers.

Employees of the Stewart Die Casting Company in Bridgeport, Conn., have organized a committee to disaffiliate their local union from the Mine Mill and Smelter Workers and bring it into the UAW. The committee is headed by the President of the Mine Mill local union.

Victor Reuther On Cancer Board

DETROIT (LPA) — The appointment of UAW-CIO education director Victor Reuther to the board of trustees of the Southeastern Michigan Division of the American Cancer Society has been announced by Dr. Harry M. Nelson, board president.

Vic Reuther has a leading role in Detroit civic affairs. He was vice-chairman of the Detroit Victory Council during World War II.

Labor Must Gain Farm Votes Duncan Declares

PORTLAND, Ore. (LPA) — Labor must increase its efforts to gain the farm vote, Tom Duncan, assistant director of Labor's League for Political Education, told a statewide LLPE conference, here. Duncan said "Labor faces a different situation in 1950 than that faced in 1948. Labor carried all the cities it can expect to carry in that election. Our job now is to hold those seats and try to make gains in the farm states."

Facts Of Social Security

Average Monthly Wage	Benefit Under Existing Law	Benefit Under Proposed Law	Benefit Under New Law and UAW-CIO Plan
$50.00	$22.80	$26.80	$100.00
$100.00	$28.50	$53.50	$113.50
$150.00	$34.20	$58.90	$118.90
$200.00	$39.90	$64.20	$124.20
$250.00	$45.60	$69.60	$129.60

All of the above figures are based on a retired worker without dependents.

Also note the proposed bill has NOT PASSED the Senate, as yet only the House of Representatives has passed it by 333 to 14. WRITE your SENATOR—OR, better still—LET US ELECT A NEW SENATOR BY DEFEATING R. A. TAFT.

The figures below would be the monthly benefit for a retired worker and his wife, who were both over 65

Average Monthly Wage	Existing Law	Proposed Law	Proposed Law and UAW-CIO Plan
$50.00	$34.20	$40.00	$100.00
$100.00	$42.75	$80.00	$140.00
$150.00	$51.30	$88.40	$148.40
$200.00	$59.85	$96.30	$156.30
$250.00	$68.40	$104.40	$164.40

The above figures on Social Security were obtained from the House Ways and Means Committee by your CONGRESSMAN BURKE and the UAW PROPOSAL ADDS $60.00 A MONTH TO THE SOCIAL SECURITY provided by our Government regardless how high the Federal benefit is raised.

THIS IS ONLY THE PENSION PROPOSAL OF YOUR UNION. MORE ON SICK AND ACCIDENT AND HOSPITALIZATION—WATCH FOR IT.

11 million over 65 years; 3½ million of them unemployed; 7½ million of them working for less than $4,000 per year; over one-half of 7½ million received less than $1,000 per year.

Senator Taft Challenged

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For a time, it appeared that the intervention of the Rev. Edwin A. Brown, the Very Rev. William Spickerman, and the Rev. J. B. Holloway, might prove helpful. Meetings, after eight months were finally arranged.

The mayor of Marion got a snootful of tear gas, too.

A can tossed by police, and still giving off fumes, was put on the mayor's desk by Emerson Baringer, UAW-CIO staff representative.

The mayor said: "Hey, take that away."

Baringer said: "Smell it a minute. They've been EATING it on the picket line."

The police stopped using tear gas.

But after sessions on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the company was still standing pat. No bargaining. No contract.

While the NLRB grinds out its tortoise-slow decision in the Marion case, the union began attacking the problem from a number of new directions, one of them being the challenge to Senator Taft himself.

The letter from Ballard to Taft follows:

April 12, 1950

Senator Robert A. Taft
Senate Office Building
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Senator:

If you sincerely believe that the Taft-Hartley Act is intended to put management and unions on an even basis, and is NOT intended to give management a club, and handcuff labor, a good place for you to examine those beliefs is in Marion, Ohio.

In Marion, since the UAW-CIO won collective bargaining rights last summer at the Storm Windows of Aluminum, Inc., the company has used the provisions of the Taft-Hartley Act — including the inherent right to violate it without cost — to refuse to bargain.

In recent weeks, the logical end-product of the Taft-Hartley Act (tear gas, police escorts, conflict and disturbance) has become so deeply imbedded that Marion citizens, including the clergy, have tried to intervene.

Perhaps you, too, would like to intervene. For in Marion, Ohio, the citizens of your home state are getting, daily, an excellent object lesson in the pernicious anti-labor possibilities which (deliberately or by coincidence) are incorporated in your legislation.

According to charges, both our union and the company have violated your act. We do not concede that we hurry — but the charges, under your law, are what count — not the facts.

The company charged that we violated the provisions against peaceful picketing — and under your act obtained an injunction within an hour or two.

We charged that the company has refused to bargain collectively — and within a year or two the National Labor Relations Board will get a court order enforcing this NLRB finding. And then, about two years after the employes made known their wishes in a secret ballot under government auspices, the company will be required to sit down and talk wages, hours and working conditions.

This supports our contention that the Taft-Hartley Act is loaded to the teeth with loopholes for management and booby traps for labor.

Yesterday the U. S. Conciliator was called out. And yesterday, management refused bluntly to discuss wages and hours, or to incorporate any agreement on these matters in a written document.

Our people (about half of them women) have been tear gassed, beaten, hit by scab-driven automobiles in a flagrant violation even of the pro-management Taft-Hartley Act — and it is YOUR labor legislation which made these things inevitable.

We doubt that you would take the political risk of coming to Marion, Ohio, to see for yourself what is wrong — what is, in fact, outright vicious — about the Taft-Hartley Act you so stalwartly defend. Nevertheless, we urge you to do so.

Yours truly,
Charles Ballard, Director
Region 2B, UAW-CIO

Back Truman Plan For Jobless Benefits

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Organized labor is expected to mobilize its full strength to urge on Congress President Truman's program to increase coverage and benefits to the unemployment compensation program. His message April 6 called for raising average benefits to at least $24 a week, and coverage of 6,000,000 workers now unprotected when they become jobless.

Chrysler Accused Of Blind Selfishness In UAW-CIO Ad

DETROIT (LPA)—In full-page newspaper ads in dailies, the United Auto Workers CIO on April 5 declared "Chryslers' blind selfishness continues to block strike settlement. No amount of corporation propaganda can change the basic facts or cover up Chrysler's refusal to accept it responsibility."

The ad pointed out that: Chrysler had enjoyed the most profitable year in its history, and set new profit records; had just set aside a $9,690,896 bonus "kitty" for top executives; that Ford, Nash-Kelvinator, Kaiser-Frazer, Budd, Massey-Harris and many others had settled with UAW-CIO on the terms the UAW seeks at Chrysler; that Chrysler's pension offer is "phony."

Record In Dispute

The ad then listed the sound principles adopted by Chrysler's competitors and gave the record in the dispute: that Chrysler refused an arbitration offer on Jan. 23, before the strike began; that Chrysler's president refused to enter the negotiations; that Chrysler rejected a new proposal March 3, including arbitration, to end the strike; that Chrysler refused to attend a meeting March 16 of civic leaders to hear both sides.

The UAW-CIO pointed out that six months of fruitless negotiations preceded the walkout, and that the strike will be settled when Chrysler "meets its responsibilities to its workers and the nation."

Mazey Demands Hearing

Meanwhile, Emil Mazey, union secretary-treasurer, demanded immediate hearings before the FCC on renewal of license for station WWJ, Detroit, on the grounds that the station still refuses to sell or give time to the union to discuss the issues on the air.

A group of suppliers, in full-page ads, called on both sides to end the strike, and said "it's time for common sense to swing into action."

Copper-Brass Conference Set For April

DETROIT—Vice President Gosser announces that on Saturday and Sunday, April 22nd-23rd, at the Hotel Statler, Buffalo, N. Y., there will be a very important National Conference of all Local Units holding contracts in Copper and Brass prefabricating plants and Smelters.

The purpose of the Conference is to develop plans on a National basis to obtain from these companies an adequate pension and insurance plan in line with UAW-CIO policy, and to develop action against the inferior proposals made by some of the companies in this industry, and which have been accepted in some plants by the ousted Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers in an attempt to hold their bargaining rights in these plants without regard for their members.

Plans will also be developed for the organization of the unorganized plants in the Copper and Brass Industry.

Fortune Magazine Takes A Look At Labor Press

NEW YORK (LPA)—The April issue of Fortune magazine ($1.25 organ of business) takes a look at the labor press and seven leading editors. It's summary:

"The 'labor press' would like to be the gadfly of US press morals. But while calling for a press, it is itself not wholly free. Many union papers are devoted largely to glorifying the officers in power and only in a few cases is an opposition granted space to voice criticisms. News through the labor lens is usually black or white, and the actions of the opposition are often viewed as part of some dark 'conspiracy'. Criticism as regards the US press is surely a two-way street."

Declaring that the most important factors in the labor press are the labor news agencies, the Fortune article lists Federated Press, "which follows the Communist line," and the Labor Press Association, "which was organized in opposition to it in September, 1949 by a group of leading union papers."

Campaign Health Insurance

After listing the services LPA provides, the article goes on: "LPA is weighted with accounts of monopolies, high profits, business derelictions, FTC slams at advertising misrepresentations, and the like. Monopoly investigations get a heavy play, as do campaigns for health insurance, FEPC, and other items of the Fair Deal program. Arguing that such stories are consistently underplayed by the daily press, LPA has begun a needling campaign against it. One such job precipitated a slam-bang fight between the Denver Post and the Colorado Labor Advocate."

The article also mentions a "clean beat" by the LPA's late Nathan Robertson "when Robertsonertson revealed that the Minnesota Medical Association had relaxed a ban against advertising by doctors in the apparent hope of persuading small country weeklies to support the AMA position against health insurance."

Editors Photos

Of the seven labor editors whose photographs Fortune runs, five are officers or board members of Labor Press Association. They are: Ruben Levin, president of LPA; Allan L. Swin, vice-president; Gordon Cole, member of the executive board; Max Danish and Vincent Sweeney, directors. The others pictured are Philip Pearl, AFL publicity chief, and Frank Winn, publicity head for the United Auto Workers-CIO.

Levin is described as "probably the most widely-syndicated columnist in the labor press field," and "more important, he is president of the Labor Press Association, the largest news agency in the labor field." Swim edits the CIO News, and is CIO publicity chief. Cole edits the Machinist for the IAM. Danish, dean of labor press editors edits Justice and the other ILGWU publications. Sweeney directs publicity and Steel Labor for the CIO Steelworkers.

30 Million Circulation

The Fortune article also reports a claimed circulation for the labor press of "20 million to 30 million. What that statistic means, however, no one seems to know. . . The defenders of the labor press see it as a mounting force against the distortion of news by the 'commercial press'; its detractors picture it mostly as an unread, sleazy, scissors-and-paste-pot job, harping with a shrill Johnny-one-note on the 'crimes' of business."

The article adds that the labor press "is not the uniformly black propaganda cloud occasionally conjured up by promoters to frighten business men into spending sums for 'counterpropaganda'. Certainly its total circulation is matched by that of US company house organs."

IAM Head Backs Murray's Unity Move

WASHINGTON (LPA)—President Al Hayes of the International Association of Machinists told CIO President Philip Murray in a letter that the IAM was "ready to co-operate in any movement toward closer co-operative action." The IAM also was ready, Hayes said, "to help bring about a completely united labor movement which can adequately represent and defend the rights of the working people of the United States." The IAM head declared that he hoped a conference of top spokesmen for the various groups of organized labor could be held within a month.

BUC Layoffs Protested By TIUC Secretary

Rediger Points It Will Cause Delay Of Checks

Layoff of 15 claims takers in the Toledo BUC office as of Saturday was protested by Howard H. Rediger, executive secretary of the Toledo Industrial Union Council.

Mr. Rediger, in a letter to Frank J. Collopy, administrator in Columbus, pointed out that delays in receiving checks could be traced to understaffing of BUC offices, and added that in the event of any new rush of claims, untried and inexperienced help further complicated prompt payments.

The staff reduction was claimed to follow a reduction in unemployment claims as a result of slowly rising employment in the city.

The statistics are not clear on that point, for the minor drop in claims seemed out of ratio with the major reduction in staff.

Mr. Rediger's letter follows:

April 10, 1950

Mr. Frank J. Collopy,
Administrator, Bureau of Unemployment Compensation,
427 Cleveland Avenue,
Columbus 16, Ohio

Dear Mr. Collopy:

It has been called to the attention of the Toledo Industrial Union Council CIO, by a usually reliable source, that the Bureau of Unemployment Compensation contemplates a sizeable reduction of employees in their local offices. This layoff is to take place about April 15, 1950.

The Toledo Industrial Union Council is of the opinion that this is not a timely move as there has been no substantial improvement in the number of people going back to work. While it is desirable that the Bureau be operated with as little expense as is consistent with sound, speedy and efficient handling of claims, it is thought to be false economy to reduce the staff to a point where a sudden load of claimants would cause workers to be denied adequate determination of their benefit rights.

When claims are not paid for as long as twelve to sixteen weeks after the eligibility rights have been determined, because of too few employees in the Bureau or because claims must be handled by new inexperienced help, there are some claimants who must apply for and receive direct City or County relief during that period.

This condition creates an unfair situation because, while there is an adequate amount of money in the Unemployment Compensation Fund to pay benefits, relief money is derived in part from our local taxes.

This means that owners of real estate are paying instead of the money coming from tax on payrolls as was intended by the law.

Under the provisions of the Federal Social Security Act the cost of administration of State Unemployment Compensation Acts is paid by the Federal Social Security Board from funds collected from employers within each state.

Since this rate of tax on employers is constant at three-tenths of one percent of payrolls and since Ohio has never received as much back as it has sent to Washington, D. C. for this purpose, it seems strange that the Bureau does not maintain adequate help, draw on Federal funds and conserve Ohio taxpayers money.

Very truly yours,
Howard H. Rediger,
Executive Secretary

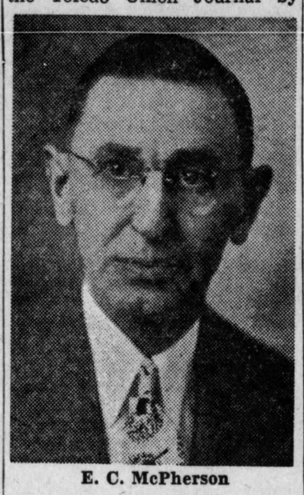
cc: Charles Ballard
Richard Gosser
Frank King

Firm Pays Fine Of $50,000 In Anti-Trust Case

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (LPA) — The International Cellucotton Products Co. of Chicago has agreed to pay a $50,000 fine for violation of this state's anti-trust laws, and all costs of the state suit. The firm makes and sells facial tissues, sanitary napkins and bathroom tissues. The firm also agreed to cease attempting to set prices for its products in this state.

E. C. McPherson Named Head Of Advertising Department

Thirty years of advertising experience in the field of labor journalism has been brought to the Toledo Union Journal by the appointment of E. C. McPherson as advertising director of the Local 12 publication. He succeeds Francis Reno who will work on special assignments on the International UAW-CIO staff.



E. C. McPherson

Mr. McPherson is a Midwesterner. He was born in Indiana, went through grade school in Indianapolis, and attended Lafayette College and Oxford University.

Before his appointment here, he had built up the advertising content of the Labor News, official publication of the Auto-Lite Unit of UAW-CIO.

Vastly expanded facilities and staff are being arranged to take care of the new advertising program under Mr. McPherson, and one of the first things accomplished was the installation of five telephones for the exclusive use of the advertising department. They are EMerson 8259 and 1141, FAirfax 5491, GArfield 2269 and 4400.

Evidence of the new regime can be seen in recent issues of the Toledo Union Journal, and substantially increased space is expected within a few weeks.

AFL, CIO Spokesmen Urge Federal Action On School Building

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Spokesmen for AFL and CIO, as well as for the American Parents Committee and the Farmers Union, are urging a House Labor subcommittee to take quick action on a bill aiding the construction of local public schools. The need will become greater. they warn, each year between now and 1960.

Appearing for the AFL was was Legislative Representative Walter Mason. Associate Education Director George Guernsey presented the CIO's testimony. The subcommittee, headed by Rep. Wingate Lucas (D, Tex.) went into action after the full committee became stalemated on the various proposals for federal aid to education, including one passed last year by the Senate.

We Are Rich Enough

Guernsey, replying to questions from the committee, said that he'd hesitate to make a choice between general aid to schools and construction funds. "In the United States," he said, "we are rich enough and the need is great enough to have both — and both are crucial. You can't have good schools without adequate buildings, but you equally need trained teachers."

By 1960, the CIO and AFL spokesmen pointed out, there will be 10,500,000 more children attending school than there are now. This means the nation will need 480,000 more classrooms and 375,000 new teachers in the coming ten years. The classrooms alone will cost about $14,500,000,000. "It is clear," he said, that these needs will not be met "without an adequate federal program."

The CIO prefers the bill proposed by Rep. Hugh Mitchell (D, Wash.), Guernsey said, and suggests that any bill approved by the subcommittee include loans at an interest rate of not above two per cent, hiring of construction labor at prevailing wage scales without racial discrimination, and protection of a fair share of funds for Negro schools in segregated states.

Would Authorize 5 Million

Mitchell's bill is almost the same as one proposed in the Senate last year by Sen. Hubert Humphrey (D, Minn.). It would authorize $5,000,000 in grants for a survey by the states of long-range needs, further grants to the states for school construction, with 70 per cent of the first $100,000,000 to be spent on emergency school construction in areas overburdened as a result of federal activities. Construction standards would be established and supervised by the General Services Agency of the federal government. Only the emergency construction authorization was left in the Humphrey bill as it passed the Senate last year.

The AFL representatives expressed preference for a measure authored by Rep. Leonard Irving (D, Mo.). He urged federal checks on the use of funds by states, "safe and substantial" building standards, enforceable labor standards on construction.

"The AFL believes," Mason told the subcommittee, "that our ideals and institutions require that every individual should have equal educational opportunity and to implement this right we have consistently sought to extend, improve, and enrich educational provisions available in tax-supported institutions, free alike to all children, irrespective of creed, race or nationality."

Bridges Guilty, Jury Finds

SAN FRANCISCO (LPA) — Harry Bridges, Australian-born President of the International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union-CIO, was found guilty of perjury April 4 after a five-month jury trial in Federal District Court here. He was charged with lying under oath in 1945 when he denied ever being a Communist while applying for American citizenship. Two other ILWU officers were found guilty of conspiracy. The defendants announced they would appeal.

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In Our Opinion

by HOWARD REDIGER
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY of T.U.C.

HAVE you lost any unemployment compensation payments because you "were not actively seeking" suitable work?

If you have been a victim of this kind of treatment then you are just one of many who have been struck out by the Bureau of Unemployment Compensation. The bureau's reason is "it's the law." Some of those who have suffered from this ruling are elderly and grey-headed women who need their unemployment payments . . . they had depended on the money to pay bills such as rent, food, clothes and a lot of other necessary payments that seem to accumulate too fast when no work is available.

Back last year prior to the passage of the present unemployment compensation act it was the best judgment of State Representatives Frank King, Morton Neipp and Mike Damas, all from Lucas County, that the "actively seeking suitable work" part of the Act would be used on a wholesale basis to disqualify workers for unemployment compensation. There are indications this prediction is slowly coming true . . . if no one fights back energetically this procedure may become an epidemic . . . it will prevail on more of our citizens.

Those in our General Assembly who wanted the requirement "to be actively seeking suitable work" instituted in the Act were very careful to explain that they only wanted this part of the law to affect those who were too lazy to hunt work . . . they didn't want it actually to hurt or disqualify any of our citizens. But it isn't working that way. Good, honest, conscientious citizens are losing their unemployment money. And, in our opinion, they shouldn't lose it either.

There must be close to 20,000 people out of work in Toledo, a few thousand have been called back to work recently, particularly at Willys-Overland. The CIO does not expect to sit back and see many of its members take it on the chin on this "actively seeking suitabe work" connive. And when we say this we mean we will try to protect all just cases but we do not contend all of those who have been turned down because of not actively seeking suitable work have received unjust treatment.

All those who are unemployed and are reporting to the unemployment bureau each week should remember one thing. Be sure that you are able to report you are actively seeking suitable work. Be able to name the places where you have been seeking work. Tell where you filled out applications if this was possible, tell where you couldn't fill out applications . . . you might even be asked to have a witness that you were hunting work. Sounds a little silly, doesn't it . . . sounds far-fetched. But it's the best way to save your unemployment payments. Merely reporting each week is not enough.

I would like to hear from all those who have been turned down for unemployment compensation because you were not "actively seeking suitable work." You can come to CIO headquarters, the Toledo Industrial Union Council at 611 Huron St. or phone us, MAin 5525.

We will dig into your case and see if we can straighten it out . . . and if there is anything our organization can do we will be glad to do it . . . we have helped others and might be able to help you.

Newspaper Writer Labels Taft A Unreconstructed Isolationist

COLUMBUS—Walter Lippman, one of America's most conservative news commentators, has labeled Senator Taft as leader of the "hard core of irreconcilable and unreconstructed isolationists who dominated the (Republican) party from the Harding administration until Pearl Harbor."

These isolationists, Lippman said, are "playing straight into Russia's hands."

Lippman, dean of America's news columnists pointed out, "The true character of the McCarthy affair has become clearer. Senator Vandenberg's statement and Mr. Stimson's letter brought out the critical fact that the Republican opposition in Congress is now in open rebellion against the men (Vandenberg and Stimson) who have led the Republican party since Pearl Harbor."

McCarthy himself is "small potatoes" Lippman wrote, but he added that "Senator Bridges, and above all, Senator Taft, are not." It is Bridges and Taft, Lippman charged, who are leading the Republican isolationist bloc.

"Senator Taft and Senator Bridges," Lippman's column said, "are not troubled by the fact that the method of the assault on Secretary Atcheson and on Ambassador Jessup and on the State Department in general, is paralyzing the conduct of foreign policy and is undermining the prestige of the United States throughout the world."

Continuing, Lippman pointed out, "In the last analysis McCarthy, and the more important Republicans who are backing him, do not believe in foreign policy in which the United States plays a responsible and cooperative role in the world. They do not really care how much they injure American policy because they do not like the foreign policy which, since Pearl Harbor, they have been compelled to support."

"They would not regret," Lippman continued, "they would be very much pleased to see the whole national effort of the United States, in war and peace, cease to be a matter of popular pride. For then, their own records in war and in peace, which have been embarrassing to them, could be vindicated."

Concluding his argument, the news columnist charged, "It is not a debating point, but the deep truth of the matter is that the isolationist campaign which began with Formosa and went on to the McCarthy business, is playing straight into Russia's hands. I believe that every informed and serious observer would agree that the great objective of Soviet foreign policy is to push the United States out of Europe and Asia and back into the Western Hemisphere. Everything that happens here, which renders it impossible for the United States government to work with our allies and partners brings the Soviet government nearer to this objective."

Taft's actions, in the Formosa situation and in supporting the McCarthy case, is designed to achieve this end, Lippman charged.

Name Safety Committee

LANSING.—A new approach in combating so-called hunting accidents involving guns has the blessing of conservation administrators of eight states and Ontario.

Declaring 19 of every 20 such "accidents" are preventable, a newly-formed hunting "safety" committee will seek to enlist cooperation of all states, Canadian provinces and Mexico in a prevention campaign.

Cooperating agencies will combine information about causes of gun fatalities and injuries in an effort to secure statistical information that will chart future prevention efforts.

Includes Training

Training in careful use of firearms is favored over proposed tests of hunters' fitness to obtain licenses to hunt.

Pointing out that most gun injuries in hunting seasons are self-inflicted or caused by companion hunters, authorities emphasized hunters' need to correct their own and others' careless gun habits.

The state conservation department was host during the first such meeting for discussion of causes of gun mishaps. Conservation director P. J. Hoffmaster heads the committee which will arrange a 1951 meeting at Ontario's ranger school.

Represented at the meeting last weekend were Illinois, New York, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Ohio, Michigan, and Ontario. The National Rifle Association, Washington, D. C., will compile hunting injury information for cooperating state and provincial agencies.

Would Have U. S. Supervise Polls For Union Officers

WASHINGTON (LPA) — A bill which would require union officers to be elected at least every two years, with another requirement that every union member be permitted to ballot either in person or by absentee vote, has been proposed by Rep. Tom Werdel (R., Calif.). The bill, which isn't expected to get very far, would also require an open count of the ballots in the presence of an impartial person designated by the Secretary of Labor. Federal district courts could enforce compliance, and any union in violation could be cut off from services of the NLRB.

Veteran's INFORMATION

The neighborhood garage, the local haberdashery, the job print shop on the second floor, in fact all types of small-scale business enterprises are doing the major share of training disabled veterans on-the-job under Public Law 16, the Vocational Rehabilitation Act.

Veterans Administration disclosed this fact today. At the same time VA explained that other small businesses, not now training disabled veterans, may take part in the training program by following simple procedures involving a minimum of paperwork.

According to VA, some 45,000 business and industrial firms now are training handicapped veterans under Public Law 16. The number of veterans being trained is fewer than 58,000, or less than two per establishment.

Most of the training is being given by small firms, each with one, or at the most a few, disabled veteran-trainees. A few businesses and industries are engaged in the training program on a large scale.

With scarcely any exceptions, businessmen who have trained disabled veterans were favorably impressed with the progress made by their trainees. Following are typical comments received by VA:

"It is indeed gratifying and a pleasure to observe the adaptability of disabled veterans in their endeavor overcome their physical handicaps" — knitting mill operator.

"Our disabled veterans, in training to become automobile mechanics, have proved themselves worthy of every praise" — automobile repair shop proprietor.

"We find that Public Law 16 veterans progress more rapidly than the others"—fluorescent engineering company official.

"C. S., a disabled veteran-trainee of our bricklaying crew, has consistently headed all apprentices in his field"—owner of a small construction firm.

An employer who is interested in setting up and conducting a job training program for disabled veterans under Public Law 16 need merely contact the nearest VA regional office.

Specialists will give him prompt and expert assistance in setting up a program. After VA approves the program, he will be offered an agreement under which he may train handicapped veterans.

In approving a training program, VA is governed by certain standards. Among them are these:

1. The firm must have space, equipment ,instructional material and training personnel adequate in all respects to give training.

2. The program must be flexible enough to be modified, when necessary, to compensate for limitations resulting from the veteran's disability.

3. The training program must meet the area's customary requirements for employment in the particular occupation in which training is given.

4. The training must be continuous and without interruption except for normal holidays and vacation periods.

5. The program must be organized into definite instructional steps or units, necessitating progressive training.

4 Negroes Bowl In ABC Tourney In Minneapolis

MINNEAPOLIS (LPA)—Four Negroes took part in the annual bowling classic sponsored by the Minneapolis Tribune, with 7,000 bowlers competing. One finished in the money.

The four, accompanied by the president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People here, and their legislative counsel, appeared, and paid their registration fee. Tourney officials held a brief huddle, then accepted their fees and let them bowl. Thus, Negroes competed for the first time alongside members of the American Bowling Congress, which has a "male whites only" rule for which it has been attacked in court in several states.

The Tribune tourney is scored by the Northwest Bowlers Association, an ABC group. Sports observers were divided on whether the action here constituted a precedent. The ABC will hold its convention in Columbus, Ohio, starting May 12, and an effort will be made there to abolish the "male white" rule.

(In New York Supreme Court Justice Schreiber reserved decision April 5, on a request to bar the ABC for its racial discrimination, until after the ABC convention, on the promise of ABC officials that the matter will be taken up then.)

Lensman's Lapse

The news photographer took a vacation from world-shaking events to visit these three gun-women on movie location near Las Vegas, Nevada. They are well-armed, and that's not all. Left to right, the three hombre-esses are Corinne Calvet, Marie Wilson and Diana Lynn. They may be shy, but they're certainly not gun-shy. Let's steal a "hoss" and try to date this lovely mob up for a necktie party. It would be a pleasure to "hang" around with this pretty posse.

Correction!

Blade Reads Journal And Reverses Itself

You can depend on The Toledo Blade to be completely accurate about big league box scores, stock market reports or a blow-by-blow account of an automobile accident.

In fact, wherever the paper doesn't have a "policy" position, it's a pretty dependable sheet—and this is because the staff employes are competent performers.

But when a news story runs afoul of The Blade's "policy," it's a good idea to check up before you believe what the Toledo monopoly paper has to say.

The Blade does have a "policy" where Richard Gosser, UAW-CIO Vice President, is concerned. It seems as though anything with which he is remotely connected—anything anyone on his team does or says—turns up in The Blade news columns with unpredictable twists.

That's the time to read The Toledo Union Journal, and get the unvarnished facts.

As an example, the trivial incident at the deposition hearing, involving the notary's notebook, was so badly garbled in The Blade that the paper eventually printed a new version.

Here's how it went.

In the Thursday Blade, April 6, to illustrate its theme that the deposition hearing was "stormy," "excited" and a scene where "tempers flared," the Page One story stated that "at the close Mr. Gosser's attorney ripped a page from the shorthand notebook of the court reporter."

The Toledo Union Journal promptly nailed that absurdity.

We told you "no 'page' was 'ripped' from the notary's notebook. When it was noticed that notes were being taken of off-record comments after the hearing was patently at an end—the very time tongues are not being guarded—Goerlich insisted that the record not include these off-record comments.

"As evidence that they would not be," we continued, "the notary himself tore off the half inch section of his book containing the brief notes and Ells agreed to the deletion."

Goerlich is Lowell Goerlich, attorney for Gosser; Ells is Hal P. Ells, "found" for John A. Bolman by Paul Block Jr. when the publisher contributed $5,000 of Blade money toward the Bolman suits.

On Monday, The Blade printed an entirely new version of this notebook-tearing incident—quoting Howard J. Hise, the notary.

And the facts were precisely what the Toledo Union Journal said they were.

If The Blade printed the baloney on Page One, and the corrected version way inside, it is still true that it did print the correction.

The Toledo Union Journal didn't have to.

We told you the truth the FIRST time.

The moral is clear enough: You can find out what's going on in the UAW-CIO in Toledo by reading one of two papers—Block's Blade and Local 12's Journal.

And those who look to anti-UAW-CIO sources for information may expect to get some "policy" all mixed up with their "news."

BLS Pricing 110 New Food Items For Living Cost Index

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics has finally officially recognized that American food-buying habits may have changed some since the mid 1930's, and that its Consumer Price Index may not give a true picture of what it costs to live these days. Organized labor has protested for years that the Index did not truly reflect living costs.

On April 5, BLS announced it was collecting retail price data on about 110 food items now absent from the index. The prices will be collected as part of a Congressionally directed revision of the index, the bureau explained.

Among the new items BLS will include are frozen foods, canned baby foods, prepared flour mixes, perishable fruits and vegetables, beer, wine and whiskey. The bureau will watch prices on these items for the next 18 months to see how they affect the cost of living. The Index is being revised "so that it will reflect more clearly what consumers are buying today."

Present index items include meats, poultry, fish, dairy products, sugar, fruits, vegetables, bakery products, cereals, fats and oils. They are priced periodically in 56 large cities. Also in the index are apparel, housefurnishings, rent, fuel and miscellaneous goods and services.

The CPI currently bases its findings on goods and services normally bought by consumers in 1935-39.

UMW Welfare Fund To Resume Payments

WASHINGTON (LPA) — Trustees of the United Mine Workers Welfare & Retirement Fund will soon resume payments to retired and injured coal miners and their families, fund officials announced April 6. Resumption of payments, which were suspended last September, became possible when papers were executed merging the fund set up in 1947 with the 1950 fund established under the recent soft-coal contract.

Announcement was made by Miss Josephine Roche, director of the 1947 fund and neutral trustee of the 1950 fund. Miss Roche declared that some time would elapse before the first payment would be made because new forms and instructions would have to be prepared. However, it was believed the fund would be in full operation by May 1 on substantially the same basis as before except for a slight tightening of the rules for medical payments.

'Grass Roots' Backing For Brannan Plan On Increase

ST. PAUL (LPA) — A meeting here which brought out 8,000 farmers was evidence of growing "grass roots" support for the Brannan farm plan.

They heard Secretary of Agriculture Brannan and Sen. Hubert Humphrey (D, Minn.). Brannan singled out Allen H. Kline, head of the National Farm Bureau, and the National Tax Equality Association, anti-coop lobby, in his attack on his opponents. Kline, said Brannan, is sacrificing the low-income farmer to the greed of the big corporation farms.

Humphrey declared the Brannan farm program "is necessary if we are able to save ourselves from a disastrous depression. The one thing Joe Stalin is waiting for is a drepression in America."

The Brannan plan, recommended by President Truman, has met with a cool reception in Congress.

New Chairman For ADA

Senator Hubert Humphrey (left), retiring chairman of Americans for Democratic Action, hands over the reins to new chairman, Francis Biddle, one-time attorney General. ADA delegates to recent convention vowed "to keep aloft the banner of progressivism.

Ruling Sustains Brotherhoods' Wage Demand

ST. LOUIS (LPA) — Two Railroad Brotherhoods, the Locomotive Engineers and the Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, were sustained by a Presidential Emergency (Fact-Finding) Board this week in their demand for retention of a long-standing wage differential for engine crews in the railroad yards of the St. Louis area. The board ruled that, on the basis of work performed, the men were entilted to 45 cents a day more than paid at similar railroad terminals elsewhere.

AFL, IAM, UMW Friendly To Murray Proposal

WASHINGTON (LPA)—CIO President Philip Murrays' proposal April 4 that a joint committee be established by the nation's top labor groups to work toward labor unity won an immediate and friendly response. AFL President William Green said he would confer with Murray shortly. IAM President Al Hayes hoped for a meeting within a month. UMW President John L. Lewis said the coal miners' executive officers would reccommend the union's participation in a joint group.

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Jim Vinson, Dept. D, 2nd Shift

Good Friday. Some nineteen hundred years ago, a Man, whose only crime was that He loved God and His fellow men, was nailed to a cross. The punishment, justly deserved by you and me, He took upon Himself. He was wounded for our transgressions, say the Scriptures, and with His stripes we are healed. Sin slew Love but Love could not remain dead. Hence, Easter — the open tomb, the risen, living Christ, the Son of God, who has given the hope of Eternal Life to all who believe in Him.

One of our personable repair women removed her upper false teeth, wrapped them in a paper towel and laid them down and forgot them. Later, Garnett Dawson, janitor, gathered them up with other waste paper which he placed in a large carton. A short time later said women missed the package. Such excitement! Three or four friends searched the receptacle and after three screenings, found them in the bottom of the carton. It is rumored that they had bitten a hole in the bottom of the carton.

Some fellows allow their enthusiasm to run away with them; and fishermen in the spring are apt to do this. It was so, Wednesday night, after work when Cecil Cotterman, Eddie Blum and Herman Missler motored to Ottawa Creek near Oak Harbor to try their luck. This turned out to be one bullhead and some half-frozen men. Had they stayed an hour longer, some think they might have caught pneumonia.

Melin "Buck" Scheuer had a birthday on April. This marked the first time this reporter got a piece of cake at a man's birthday celebration. We just rate, that's all!!!!

Paul Horvath and Dick Behan are fellows we welcome back to the second shift. No cake for the above.

Fay McNeil is again with us after brief lay-off. Also, Eva Wurtz, Nellie Stevenson and Helen Mielcarek.

Blanche Evans returned to work this week after a two-month's leave. Mr. Evans, her husband, has been very ill.

Our good friend, Ollie Budzinski, transferred to the day shift last Monday, and we miss him. We'll forgive you, Ollie, if you go out and root for the Mud Hens.

Lois Kramer
Dept. L, 1st Shift

Irene Leith received a number of lovely gifts going on her leave. Lots of luck, Irene, may all your troubles be little ones.

Mary Toth birthdayed on April 5th, Betty Hanslik and Florence Smith birthdayed on Good Friday. Thanks for the candy, girls, and may you celebrate many many more birthdays.

Friends of Margaret Smathers will be sorry to hear that she is in Toledo Hospital. Margaret was also a grandmother last week, no connection, we hope.

As of April 10th, Dept. L, 2nd shift is no more. Welcome, Night Gang, to the day shift.

Colonel Tarver
Dept. E, 1st Shift

Edmund Degnan was given a warm welcome to this department last week. "Porky," we are glad to have you with us.

Clyde Rauch quietly celebrated his 41st (?) birthday on Easter Sunday. Congratulations, Clyde.

Truey Velker passed out delicious chocolate candy to her many friends who wished her many happy returns on her birthday, April 5th.

Helen Frazier has been warned that if she persists in shining that new Hudson so frequently, she is apt to rub all the paint off.

Thelma Baker returned to work last week after an absence of 2 weeks. That suntan on you, looks good, Thelma, I would like to borrow that sun-tanning lamp myself. Too bad it is only available in Florida.

Velma Farrell is now planning the details for her 5th wedding anniversary which occurs on April 28th. Best wishes from all of us, Velma.

Gladys Boder quietly celebrated her birthday by working. Her friends wished her many many happy returns on April 6th.

Bessie Cary returned to work after an absence of 4 weeks and her friends were glad to see her looking so well.

Thelma Carey, formerly Thelma Geren, was at work this week following a bout with the "flu." Work is a nice diversion after that experience, isn't it, Thelma?

Millwrights—Electricians
Dept. H, 1st Shift

It seems as though our "Ace" reporter needs a little rest from digging up the news so here I am trying to help him for awhile. I hope I do as good as he does. Signed Anonymous.

There's an old saying and it fits very well in Dept. H. It goes something like this: "Never put off 'till tomorrow what you can do today." This is a rule that is often neglected.

Jack Clifford spoke too soon last Saturday, because as he finished saying the above "saying," in walked Art Decker and Thomas Bohland and after a few warm up "pitches" they hit the target. After that Jack couldn't tell the time.

Paul, you wouldn't take advantage of Harold, would you?

Wonder, if the ground is too wet to dig post holes yet? Guess I have to ask Archie! (Art, I didn't say that. RHY) He is the official post-hole digger.

I thought the chiefs were to take it easy, but I saw Bozo really making the chief work last week-end while he was doing the lay-out work from below.

By-the-way, Harold B., a couple of the boys want to thank you for the HOT DOGS and COFFEE, really looked appetizing and refreshing. How did they taste?

Having a heck of a time trying to get into the crib now that Danny's got a new way of locking it and as yet I haven't seen one fellow get into it. I'll bet someone will make it before too long.

"Deacon" Barnes isn't bragging as much as he did last year about his bowling team. I guess the reason is they didn't wind up in the top place. Better luck next year, Deacon, you can't be on top all the time.

Hope this little column doesn't make anyone feel bad, if not, 'til next week, I'll try again, to get the news. I remain, Anonymous. (Maybe you better. RHY)

English Borglin
Dept. D, 1st Shift

Pete Dorsten, gap-setter on line No. 5, solemnized his birthday on April 3rd. The day was practically over when he let the people in on the secret or we may have tried to persuade him to "push the boat out" in other words, treat us! His age, I don't know, but he is a very spry young gent. We wish you many more such days, Peter.

Another set of twins were born on April 4th. This time to John Carr's Nanny goat. The Nanny goat had the pleasure of presenting John with two more little Nannies. John is our congenial janitor and he is very pleased with his (the goat's) offspring.

Mary O'Poole, knurler on line No. 4, enjoyed the Easter holidays with her mother in Pennsylvania.

History repeats itself once again. Laura Drzewiecki, inspector on line No. 5, gave her many friends some home-made Kielbasa the Thursday before Good Friday. To my knowledge, Laura has been doing this for the past three years. Her generosity almost exceeds her personal beauty. It certainly was delicious, Laura. I or we thank you once again.

Harold Kerschner, gap-setter, received some bad news last Wednesday. His year-old grandson had a serious operation at St. Vincent's hospital. To date the infant is holding his own, but we all sincerely hope he makes a speedy recovery. If he is anything like his daddy or granddaddy, I know he will soon be well.

One more Blood Donor. We extend our hearty congratulations to none other than Irvin Grudzinski. He donated so willingly at Flower hospital on April 4th. Thanks again, Irvin.

This a dandy!!! Skippy Young, detail man in D, was invited to Judy and Irene Vargo's for a visit and light lunch. The visit was swell and for lunch the Vargos had "Golabki," we call them "Pigs in a Blanket." What do you know, Skippy ate nine (the hog) so to return the compliment, he baked a chocolate cake and brought it in for some of the packers. The poor supplyman, Whitey Underdown, couldn't even buy a piece for love nor money. Now maybe, Whitey, it was a good thing you didn't get any, you don't know of the ingredients. All you can do is sing that song; "If I Knew You Were Coming, I'd Have Baked A Cake."

Irwin Jachiniak, box sticher, thought he would try a little experiement with a whiz bomb that he bought at Bauman's Gas Station for 35 cents, so he picked on poor, little George Faolz's car as the Guinea Pig. So Irwin sneaked out to George's car at lunch time, attached the said bomb on the spark plug and returned to work. At quitting time, George got into his car, with twenty guys and gals watching him, to see what his reaction would be, when the little bomb was just supposed to fizz. But "Wot Hoppened?" It didn't work as Irwin had planned, instead part of the "Whiz" bomb penetrated the radiator of George's brand new car. Who had a funny look on his face, when the next day, George told the person who was conducting the experiment that the damage was $50.00. To your reporter, and many more it looks as though the "Bitter, bit." Nevertheless, Irwin said he would pay for the damage plus George's inconvience.

A correction of last week's news.

I stated that two disappointed girls, Luella Greenburg and Teodora Cisek, the former baked a cake for the latter and Teodora did not receive her cake because she was at home on account of sickness. Well, I received word that Carrie Wandock who works on assembly made a special trip to Teodora's house on a bus to deliver the cake to her. I am positive when the people in this department read this article, they will form the same opinion of Carrie as I did., that is, you are to be highly commended for your good deed to a fellow worker. Thanks, again.

Folks, don't forget, May 2nd, 1950. Good bye, now, see you next week.

Millwrights & Electricians
Dept. H, 1st Shift

A few of the workers of Department H, were wondering, that if the shop couldn't trust the Local to handle the Strike Fund Collection for the Plaskon, maybe, we shouldn't have our own men in Department H take their own collection over to the Plaskon workers.

Pensions Keep Them Smiling

Members of the Senior Amalgamated Club of Cincinnati, O., draw monthly checks from the pension fund established on industry-wide basis in 1937 by Amalgamated Clothing Workers-CIO. Group has contributed heavily to CIO-PAC this year.

Voter's Pulse Felt By Advisers Before Gas Bill Decision

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Word from Key West that President Truman isn't likely to reach a decision on signing the Kerr natural gas bill before mid April has heartened the municipal officials and spokesmen for 40 million gas consumers who are working hard to persuade the chief executive that approving the bill is a bad idea.

Letters and telegrams urging a veto are pouring in the White House and to the temporary Presidential offices at Key West. Oil producers in and out of Congress are reported working hard to get the Truman signature. Before debate in Senate and House spelled out the dollars-and-cents issues involved. Presidential approval was almost certain. Now, the President has indicated he may wait until close to the April 17 deadline before deciding what to do.

In a stinging attack, the Detroit Free Press, which has a heavily Republican batting average, has charged that "powerful support, sufficient to assure its passage," came from the Republican side of Congress. It revealed in an editorial that Guy Gabrielson, chairman of the Republican Nat'l Committee, is president of one of the biggest natural gas producers in the country — Carthage Hydrocol Inc.

"Gabrielson can now do just one thing gracefully," the News indignantly demands. "He could resign from the Republican Nat'l Committee to relieve the GOP—at least a little bit—of the stench of another oil scandal . . .

"So, when the GOP has a chance to stand out as the true champion of the small consumer, and to create a real issue, the Republicans crept cravenly into line at the behest of Master Gabrielson."

The News adds the information that the man who coined the "Liberty Against Socialism" slogan for the GOP is an old Socialist himself — his company started in 1945 with $18,000,000 borrowed from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Mayors of 18 of the biggest cities in the country, CIO President Philip Murray, and many Democratic legislators up for reelection in November have been urging Truman to veto the measure, which will cost the consumers of natural gas from $2.7 Billions in increased gas bills over the life of the present gas reserves. Frank Edwards, the AFL's radio commentator, has warned millions of listeners nightly of the bills character. On March 30, the Machinist, weekly organ of the International Association of Machinists, quoted a statement calling it "a bigger steal than Teapot Dome."

The profits haul it will give the big gas producers, both Republican and Democratic members of Congress point out, would put the taint of big-business domination once more on the Democratic party, a stigma it has avoided effectively since it won the 1932 elections.

IUE-CIO Defeats UE In 7 More NLRB Elections

WASHINGTON (LPA)—The International Union of Electrical Workers-CIO has defeated the United Electrical Workers in seven more NLRB elections. With all but eight eligible workers voting, IUE defeated UE in a collective bargaining election at the Eagle Lock Ca., Terryville, Conn., 253 to 174. IUE said UE concentrated six organizers in a house-to-house campaign intimidating older workers, claiming they would lose their jobs if IUE won.

In the Bronx, N. Y., at the Ferrand Optical Co., Local 475 voted 400 to 50 in favor of IUE's union security clause. Leaders of IUE charged UE representatives urged a "no" vote, which would have deprived employes of union protection.

In Hartford, Conn., IUE won five and lost one election among workers of six firms, represented by an amalgamated local. The wins: Fenn Manufacturing Co., Hansen-Whitney Co., Hartford Electric Steel Co., Whitlock Manufacturing Co., and the Keeney Manufacturing Co. The loss to UE was recorded in the Merrow Machine Co.

CWA Resumes Talks With Western Electric

NEW YORK (LPA) — Division 6, Communications Workers of America-CIO, and the Western Electric Company have resumed negotiations after a two-weeks recess. Representing 11,000 workers in 43 states, the division is ready to strike April 25, expiration date of President Truman's truce period.

Swartzbaugh Manufacturing Unit

gettin' EVERHOT

By BILL BORDEN

We heard the funniest thing last week, it went along this line. That if a steward turned in a grievance pertaining to the smoking areas as not being cleaned or for that matter any grievance, they would be subject to being called in on the carpet. Now just who's carpet do they mean? Well, that takes the cake, it seems mighty nice to see that at least the stewards are on the ball since the people feel it will disgrace their pride if they do it. After all, what do we have our grievance procedure for if it is not to put somebody in line, and Lord only knows there are a lot of people who need it, meaning both sides. But in particular the company side, for there are still a lot of improving can be done by the company.

Bill Borden

There are a few people who don't like the way your two wheel truck makes all that noise Ken. Do you suppose they would do anything about it. Why it even irritated one of the head officials one day while he was holding a conference with the shop committee. It seems the committee didn't mind it because it wouldn't do them any good if they did, so why should it bother this certain person, do you think he would have it fixed, you guessed it, no. So maybe in the far future the company might buy some rubber tires for it, but we doubt it.

Say, have you people met little Oscar and all the teeny weeny Oscars from the inspection dept., if not you have a treat in store for you. All you have to do is get a drink from the water fountain in this dept. and our guess is you will meet up with them, only show a little respect, if they are getting a drink don't butt in front of them, give them the first choice.

Have you seen your steward about joining the PAC? If not do so the first chance you get. Don't delay do it today, give a buck and be happy and gay.

It is better to bind your children to you by respect and gentleness, than by fear.
—Terence

National *Supply Unit News*

By DEAK and DOCK

While touring the other Sunday afternoon, we came up on a bowling match at Maumee, O., between the night Owls, (consisting of Shinney Campbell, Shorty Fellers, Bob Reilly, John Beggs and ——— Hill,) and a ladies' team, who's names were unattainable) went by the name, Kneisel Open Alleys. Who do you think won? The ladies of course. Well they may have had a good reason to let them win.

Our Mayor Mike DiSalle better be passing that welcome key to the voters of counties other then Lucas if he expects to make the grade against Taft this November. Let old Uncle Remus give the key to the visiting move celebrities.

Have you noticed how jubilent Dept. 44 one and only Charley Klat can get when his bowling team wins, but turns on the rain water when they lose, watch it Chas. you may win the trophy for being the best cryer.

My how chumey H. Jones was with Louie Bock the first week he was in Dept. 43, they acted like age old friends, with back-slapping and all. Could they have been to the futher or just feeling for a soft-spot?

If a certain night inspector don't stop using his desk for a pig trough when he eats his lunch, he'll be furnished with one. After all the desk is to work on, not a garbage container.

We see Cory Winfrey Dept. 54 riding to work with someone else, what's the dope on that new Chrysler, is that just a Sunday car.

That constable job of Buck Bodies (Dept. 53) must be paying off, we see him driving a new Mercury.

Why is it that a certain Machine Shop Dept. steward refused to take up the collections for the Plaskon strikers? Is it that his Republicanism is stronger then his unionism? If it is, it's time the situation be investigated.

One of our new commtteemen related, that during seniority negotiations, the Co. claimed it was necessary to put on extra help in the office, because of the many mistakes made in the shop. But you should know the answer to that, we have no juisdiction over the clerks and foremen. And certainly there not immuned to making mistakes. If the Co. could have competent supervision that understood what they were doing, instead of some of the stumble-bums they have, there would be less errors to correct.

If you drive a cadillac to work like Jimmy Coleman Dept. 54 does, be sure to have excavating equipment along in rainy weather. Jimmy dug a hole big enough to bury a truck, trying to get out of the mud when he parks between the curb and building.

Inspector Frank Herr, Dept. 43 was seen visiting with Slicker Sullivan at length, and seems to be getting quite plasy-walsy with him. Do you suppose Frank is being taken in by that Sullivan sauce, or is he trying to regain that long lost foremanship.

Pres. Walker and Vice-Pres. McKenny's salaries for 1948 weren't so bad, $75,000. And $65,000, including a $20,000 bonus check Oh, yes, they get a pension, Mr. Walker gets $25,000 a year for ten years. Now can you tell me why N.S. Co. stalls so long before they even consider taking about a contract, and when we want a liveable wage, they start yelling, (Bolshevik, Socialist or Reds).

Dept. 52 again is on the feast or famine basis, and yet they import a man from the maintenance to work the inspector job on the heat treat furnace for two weeks, then returns to his regular dept. to work Saturday overtime. Just a little thought, could there be some Mystic Knights in the Maintenance to?

The Chinese celebrate New Years by lighting fire-crackers to drive away the evil spirits. Do you suppose fire-crackers would scare away The Save The Toledo Payroll Committee?

If a dream was a wish that always came true,
I'd wish for the future the best of Health for you,
I'm sure by this token we'd always win

I refer to my friend Mary Alice Schwin.

"PENSIONS," P—Goodbye Poor House; E—Enjoyment which we seek; N—Nuts to all you former bosses; S—Security in your old age; I—No more Income Tax; O—Opening of jobs for younger men; N—Morning and afternoon Naps;S—Sugar, from the dear N.S. Co.

Now that the tool joint is slowing down it would be a good time for the Co. to go into the golf-cart business, Dept. 52 would gladly fill the back-log, and would consider Sammy Bowers as boss.

There's no such thing as idle rumors, rumors are always busy . . . This is the time of the year that folks wear black armbands around their wallet . . . A sign in a down town Restaurant, "Home Cooking" Be back in an hour . . . You don't have to be wacky to do a lot of things, but you would be surprised how it helps.

From Uncle Remus Files

She was the apple of my eye, until I found out she was a tomato . . . After the war there was a lot of displaced persons if they use the H-bomb there'll be a lot of disperson places . . .

Plaskon Members Attention

A meeting of all Plaskon Unit members is held every Wednesday morning in Parlor A at Local 12.

The meeting will be held for the duration of the strike and progress on the negotiations will be explained to the workers.

Remember the meeting will begin at 10 a.m. every Wednesday until further notice.

8 Textile Plants Settle With TWUA-CIO In Paterson Strikes

PATERSON, N. J. (LPA) — The Textile Workers Union of America-CIO and the managements of eight small mills here have settled their differences, while more than 100 other other silk and rayon mills were shut down by strikes April 4. Locals 87 and 75 are involved in the dispute on hospitalization and sick benefits.

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UNIT	Previous Total	Wk. End. 4/8/50	Total To Date
Acklin	$ 853.44	$ None	$ 853.44
Acme Spec.	47.46	4.04	51.50
Airway	40.52	41.50	82.02
Am. Brake	5.34	None	5.43
Am. Floor	33.14	2.40	35.54
Assoc. Prod.	51.98	4.50	56.48
Auto-Lite	640.32	34.11	674.43
Ayling	104.07	7.28	111.35
Banting	3.75	1.75	5.50
Baron St.	9.42	None	9.42
Bingham	900.03	101.00	1,001.03
Bliss, E. W.	700.13	None	700.13
Buckeye Pt.	57.69	5.48	63.53
Burt Fdy.	91.87	None	91.87
Butcher-Hart	192.80	21.50	214.30
Buddies	18.96	None	18.96
Champion	799.75	93.01	892.76
City Mach.	145.57	24.42	169.99
Col. Burner	86.06	4.18	90.24
Conkey G. E.	9.10	4.05	13.15
Daney Foundry	1.55	.90	2.45
DeVilbiss	508.80	15.90	524.70
Dupont	None	None	None
Ensign	41.90	3.00	44.90
Formed St.	42.55	7.00	49.55
Ft. Pitt	None	8.50	8.50
Herman Fuel	None	None	None
Home Maid	None	None	None
Ind. Heat	162.00	23.00	185.00
Int. Harv.	10.22	None	10.22
Jones, S. M.	52.29	None	52.29
J. & L. Unit	200.77	17.58	218.35
Keller Pen	None	None	None
Laclede	55.04	5.10	60.14
Lakeside	124.07	14.28	138.35
Martin-Parry	399.78	48.50	448.28
Mather	518.50	93.50	162.00
Nat. Supply	607.96	36.50	644.46
P. M. Plastic	48.54	None	48.54
Peters	304.50	39.50	344.00
Pioneer	3.58	3.24	6.82
Pipe Threading	306.94	68.74	375.69
Plaskon	585.67	None	585.67
Pressed St.	80.77	10.84	91.61
Ransom-Rand	170.35	None	170.35
Rathbun-Jones	92.42	11.35	103.77
Save Elec.	23.60	4.11	27.71
Slater Sys.	None	None	None
Spicer	1,214.96	242.90	1,457.86
Spicer Off.	25.00	None	25.00
Std. Comm.	62.49	None	62.49
Std. Tool Die	None	None	None
Superior Sp.	4.72	1.40	6.12
Surf. Comb.	302.98	33.63	336.61
Swartzbaugh	463.66	74.80	538.46
Tillotson	223.46	134.25	357.71
Tol. Casting	38.91	5.90	44.81
Tol. Met. Furn.	202.28	16.65	218.93
Tol. Pore.	158.56	25.50	184.06
Tol. Scale	244.95	169.30	414.25
Tol. Stamping	41.77	7.00	48.77
Tol. St. Tube	272.73	None	272.73
Tol. Wire Prod.	44.50	5.50	50.00
Victor	11.03	1.15	12.18
Watson	2.73	1.00	3.73
Welever	18.67	.70	19.37
Wilk, Abe	None	None	None
Willys	8,455.47	1,345.10	9,800.57
Local 11	100.00	None	100.00
Local 14	150.00	None	150.00
A. P. Parts	124.15	39.01	163.16
Atlas Bronze	4.31	2.25	6.56
Bunting	34.62	None	34.62
Chevvy	119.98	None	119.98
Kent-Owens	14.97	1.56	16.53
Marleau	2.35	None	2.53
Mayle Mfg.	None	None	None
Rauh	13.86	3.50	17.36
T. M. T.	535.68	126.83	662.51
Local 16	360.70	100.00	460.70
Local 48	200.00	None	200.00
Doehler 1058	1,153.12	None	1,153.12
Schultz 1064	None	None	None
Local 9 Glass	None	None	None
Textile	25.00	None	25.00
Clothing Wkrs.	None	None	None
Brew. Wkr. 60	None	None	None
Brew. Wkr. 257	50.00	None	50.00
Oil Wkr. 346	100.00	None	100.00
Steel Wkr. 1897	None	None	None
Steel Wkr. 2002	None	None	None
USA 4180	None	None	None
Utility 349	None	None	None
Off. Wkrs. 29	None	None	None
Food-Tob. 297	None	None	None
P'king Hse. 65	None	None	None
News Guild	None	None	None
RR Wkrs. 1516	None	None	None
Paper Wkr. 185	None	None	None
Optical 1123	None	None	None
Local 12 Meet.	70.22	None	70.22
Policy Mtg.	95.38	None	95.38
Officers, Office Girls, Bldg. Maint.	168.95	None	168.95
Strike Kitch.	290.83	21.52	312.35
Int'l Union Officers, Reps., Office Girls Reps.	169.00	63.00	232.00
Re-Deposit	26.63	None	26.63
Local 14 Bar	1.76	None	1.76
R. McGuire	2.35	None	2.35
J. Chapman	5.00	None	5.00
Armour	1.00	None	1.00
Bakery Wkrs. AFL	1.00	None	1.00
E. W. Bliss AFL (Pat. Makers)	34.00	None	34.00
Schultz Die MESA	21.20	None	21.20
Wm. Skahil	20.00	None	20.00
Int'l Union	1,840.00	290.00	2,760.00
Local 105	40.00	None	40.00
Local 106	12.58	None	12.58
Local 110	50.00	None	50.00
Local 128	150.00	None	150.00
Local 446	12.00	None	12.00
Local 493	26.46	4.58	31.31
Local 497	37.64	None	37.64
Local 533	46.92	10.92	57.84
Local 619	6.42	None	6.42
Local 638	50.00	None	50.00
Local 643	100.00	None	100.00
Local 711	337.65	None	337.65
Local 827	187.52	None	187.52
Local 914	100.00	None	100.00
Local 959	100.00	None	100.00
Local 975	200.00	None	200.00
Local 617	100.00	None	100.00
Local 160 AFL Die Sinkers	18.00	None	18.00
Local 775	50.00	None	50.00

Income Week Ending 4/8/50	$4,119.35
Previous Total	$28,298.77
Total Collected To Date	$32,418.12
Expenses Week Ending 4/8/50	
Direct Relief (Fuel, Groceries, Gas Coupons, Loans, Insurance Utilities, etc.)	$5,942.40
Publicity (Advertising, Pamphlets, Radio, etc.)	$375.95
Previous Total Expenditures	$53,755.15
Total Expednitures To Date	$60,075.48
Deficit	$27,655.36

Speaking Of The AWBC— We Can Ask Questions, Too!

A group of private individuals employed at Willys-Overland who liked hunting and fishing got together and bought a camp. They called it the Will-O-Land Sportsmens Club. The camp they bought was run down—ramshackle. But the location was good, and there was plenty of acreage. Prices were still depressed, and the camp was bought cheap. On their weekends and during their vacation members of the Club went out there to work. They hired some transient labor, and put in a substantial amount of materials. Time and material, at the going rate, amounted to several thousands of dollars. The club was used, and enjoyed for a short time, and then an even better location was found in another state. The members of the club looked for a buyer, and found one.

They were offered $25,000 for the Will-O-Land Sportsmen Club.

Meanwhile, Local 12, UAW-CIO, was planning a Children's Summer Camp, and was searching for a good location. When they heard that the Will-O-Land Sportsmens Club was about to be sold, they looked it over and decided it was just the place Local 12 wanted. They got it. But instead of paying the $25,000 already offered by an outside interest, the members of the Club sold their property to the AWBC for $20,000—voluntarily giving up $5,000 in order to help create the Local 12 Summer Camp for Children.

With this money, the club members then bought the new location in which they were interested

- *They got their new camp.*
- *Local 12 got it's Children's Camp.*
- *AWBC got a bargain.*
- *Everyone was happy.*

Since that time, the value of the Children's Summer Camp has very materially increased. The improved property AWBC received has been improved even more, and stands as a substantial asset on the books of the Local. In view of these facts—and in view of the manner in which they have been distorted in the anti-Gosser campaign—several questions are pertinent . . .

FIRST QUESTION—Should the private Club members, having invested their time and money, have donated the property to AWBC; or were they justified in selling it for $5,000 less than they could have received?

SECOND QUESTION—Should the AWBC have refused this bargain—refused to purchase the very Summer Camp site they wanted—at a discount of $5,000?

THIRD QUESTION—Is it the desire of John Bolman and those who finance him that the Children's Camp now be disbanded, and the $20,000 returned; and that the Club members take back their valuable site and sell it at its present high value and pocket the profit themselves?

FOURTH QUESTION—Is it the contention of the anti-Gosser forces that these Club members should not have saved their money; or, having saved it, should not have bought a summer camp with it? Is it a bad thing, in this country, for union men to buy real estate, or purchase an interest in a store?

FIFTH QUESTION—Is it the contention of the anti-Gosser forces that he should not have put his money in a hardware store; or, if he did, that UAW members and locals should never do business there; or that this store should sell to UAW at a loss, when no other business in Toledo will sell to union members at a loss?

SIXTH QUESTION—Since those who oppose company-paid pensions say the union men ought to "take care of themselves" by investing their savings "wisely," is it now their contention that those who DO invest their savings wisely are to be labelled crooks?

Considering the FACTS, it is obvious that the whole smear-Gosser campaign is based on hints that something is wrong somewhere . . . And that there's nothing behind the hints.

What's wrong about giving the kids a break?

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How's Your Jujitsu?

JUJITSU is the trick of using an opponent's weight and strength against him.

A small man who knows jujitsu can toss a big man in a corner every time—and the bigger he is, the easier it is to throw him.

There's only one flaw in this: if the big fellow knows jujitsu, too, the little man is right back where he started.

There is also, today, a form of economic jujitsu used by union-busters.

It is the same principle. It uses the weight and strength of the union against itself to toss it in the corner. The more powerful a union is, the easier it is to confuse the membership, and make its contract negotiations futile.

But again, there's an answer to it: if the union membership knows the trick, it doesn't work.

That brings us to Toledo, and the economic jujitsu being tried against Local 12.

Everything is just right for the application of the trick in Toledo.

Local 12, UAW-CIO, is a big, strong union. Those who want to wreck it and make its contract drives futile failures know their economic jujitsu thoroughly.

Let's examine the tricks, slow-motion, and see if we have a defense . . .

First—confuse the membership. Get it all lathered up over something else, so that its attention is diverted.

Second—sow the seeds of distrust. Get the membership in a suspicious frame of mind, doubting its leadership.

Third—spread the distrust to the contract. Get the membership half convinced that even the contract demands will hurt the workers.

Fourth—refuse to bargain. If your work has been well done, the membership will strike half-heartedly, or not at all; or will notify the leadership of its indifference. And, having waived its most powerful weapon, it can be licked.

How far has this thing been applied to Local 12 to date?

The fact is, the whole stunt is now in motion.

Let's not be mealy mouthed about it; let's call a spade a spade. Here's what's been done so far:

The newspaper has helped start a huge fishing expedition, a series of deposition hearings, in which a lot of sly questions have been asked. (No facts proved—just questions asked.)

This is Step One. The membership is supposed to be confused; to have confused questions with answers, charges with convictions, and smears with truth.

The anti-union forces have spread the allegation that the leadership of the local is a bunch of crooks and thieves, and are always thinking first of themselves and only second of the working men.

This is Step Two. The membership is supposed to begin to believe that no matter what the leadership recommends or sponsors, it is somehow a sneaky selfish end they seek.

The anti-union forces have attacked the area pension plan as something that will cost Toledo jobs, will close down factories, will hurt the workers.

This is Step Three. The membership is supposed to believe that if they **WIN** their pensions, they **LOSE**—and that the only way they can avoid losing, is to make sure of not winning.

Finally, the anti-union forces have begun talking about refusing to bargain—about closing their plants and leaving town—about losing their "competitive position."

This is Step Four. The situation they hope to have created is that the membership, confused, distrusting its leadership, suspecting its motives and convinced that if they win what they are after, they'll lose, will refuse to stand back of the pension drive.

This is economic jujitsu—the trick of making a big, powerful union lick itself.

But it won't work in Toledo, because Local 12, UAW-CIO, knows jujitsu, too—and is big enough and smart enough to defend itself.

Q—I am the widowed mother of a deceased World War I veteran who died of a service-connected disability several years ago. Although he supported me, he did not have me listed as a dependent with VA. Am I eligible to receive compansation now?

A—Since your son died of a service-connected disability, you may make application for compensation at any time, but you must prove dependency. Payment on the claim, if approved, will not be awarded from date of his death, but from date on which your application was filed.

Your Congressman Reports

By TOM BURKE

Substantial aid to Europe has been approved for another year by the House with the passage of the omnibus foreign aid bill which earmarked $2,850,000,000 for the European Recovery Program.

Tom Burke

The only disappointing aspect of the House action was the cutting of the appropriation for the Point Four Program from $45 million to $25 million. The Point Four Program seeks to pass along to backward areas of the world technical assistance and industrial know-how so that such benefits as decent standards of labor and higher standards of living would result.

The Point Four Program was designed to eliminate some of the evils on which Communism thrives and is part of our fight against the spread of Communism. The drastic cut may seriously hamper the program and it is to be hoped that the Senate, which will debate on the bill after Easter, will restore the fund to its original figure.

While ECA is proving an expensive program is must be considered as payment on an insurance policy against future wars. The spending of some $3 billion now may save us war costs of many more billions, possibly even trillions in the future.

The Kerr Bill, which destroys the government's right to regulate the price of gas sold to interstate pipelines proved to be a hot issue in the House last week when we voted on acceptance of Senate amendments. The Senate version was aproved by the slim margin of two votes.

I voted against both the original bill and the amendments because I think the consumer should have some protection against an increase in natural gas rates, increases which will amount to between $180 and $500 million a year, if the President signs the bill.

Talk on Capitol Hill is that the gas and oil interests, which will receive the gravy from this legislation, have agreed not to raise rates until after election so as not to emberass congressmen, up for reelection, who voted for the bill. After elections, they say, rates are bound to soar.

Our only hope is, of course, that Mr. Truman will veto the bill and there is a good possibility that he will.

The Dixiecrat-Republican coalition killed the hopes of millions of middle-income families for homes of their own when it dealt the death blow to the cooperative provisions of the Housing Bill. In so doing they ignored the pleas of organized labor, the churches and the veterans who very much wanted this legislation. In fact, it was the first time the five major veterans' organizations were united on a legislative issue.

There is something paradoxical in the fact that a bill which provides identical aid for two classes of citizens could be split in two so that large corporations will be aided in building housing projects for investment purposes while families of modest incomes are precluded from building homes of their own with the same kind of government aid.

I have no quarrel with the proposal to aid private building concerns because it results in more housing, but I cannot understand the legislative mind that finds it quite compatible with the "American Way" to make loans to real estate interests but brands as "un-American" similar loans to housing cooperatives.

Neither can I comprehend the thought processes of those legislators who, in arguing on the Commodity Cridt bill praised farmer cooperatives as the foundation of sound economics and then argued on the Housing Bill that housing cooperatives are sinister and socialistic.

The Federal Works Agency, General Services Administration has approved $10,240 for the planning of a sewage treatment plant and intercepting sewers at Oak Harbor, they informed me this week. The funds are made available under Public Law 352, passed during the last session of this Congress. This law provides that funds be advanced to communities to plan for the construction of public works, repayment to be made if the works are constructed.

It seems something went wrong with the mechanics of mailing the last issue of this report and many persons received only the last page. I extend my apologies and include herewith the missing page.

The Federal Aid to Education controversy has narrowed down to two proposals, aid for construction and aid for teachers' salaries. The construction bill is not yet formulated and I am on the subcommittee which has that job. The teachers' pay bill is the bill I introduced last August, H.R. 5939.

Whether or not the Burke Bill is reported out of the Education and Labor Committee, it will serve as a basis for determining the fundamental issue at stake — should the Federal Government participate in financing elementary and secondary education.

Because this is a single purpose bill, which would earmark the total Federal grant for teachers' salaries, it is not concerned with the religious argument or with any other fringe issues. It focuses directly on the question of whether education of our children will be aided financially by our Federal government or remain exclusively the concern of the separate States.

This bill is not the same proposition as the amendment which I offered when the Committee was considering the Senate bill. That provided only 75% of the grant for teachers' salaries, leaving room for other types of aid. It was defeated 10 to 14.

I think H.R. 5939 is the better deal because it concentrates on the greatest need in the field of education, more well qualified teachers. The present shortage of teachers is due, to the low salaries paid, salaries which do not attract new recruits to the profession. While this may be true of our own district, the fact remains that it is a natial problem.

The Committee voted 13-12 to read this bill for amendments starting April 17 or as soon thereafter as possible. There is no way of telling at this time what the outcome will be, but I think it is safe to predict that we will decide at that time whether or not he Federal government is ready to contribute financially to the education of future generations.

National recognition will be accorded the A Capella Choir of DeVilbiss High School when its members come to Washington for a tour next month. They wrote to me asking for an opportunity to sing in Washington and I was able to arrange for them to appear on "The Navy Hour", a radio program sponsored by the Navy Department and featuring the Navy Band. Toledo area listeners can hear the program Saturday, April 15, at 1 p.m. over station WTOL.

"Maybe it was just a nightmare . . ."

A Guest Column

Secret Confession Of Paul Block, Jr.

By LOU CARLINER
Managing Editor, UAW-CIO Ammunition
Published by the UAW Educational Dept.

PAUL BLOCK, JR., who knows a great deal about chemistry and psychiatry knows something that ought to make him know better.

Psychiatrists recognize in people a way of acting that they call projection.

When a person projects he accuses other people of the crimes or offenses he believes himself to be guilty of.

Swindlers accuse other people of swindling.

Husbands who are unfaithful to their wives accuse their wives of being unfaithful.

That in general is projection, accusing some one else of something you yourself are ashamed of.

It is a very useful kind of trait to know about, because using it, you catch all kinds of people making open confessions of the kind of wrong-doing they are in the habit of.

Now all of a sudden the Toledo Blade has charged the UAW-CIO with all kinds of crimes on a petty shopworn calendar.

First on the list, the silly notion that a majority of the wage-earners in a city can be a monopoly, look who is calling the UAW-CIO monopoly.

Why little Pauley himself.

There he sits playing with his two newspapers, lousing them up in a way no papers should ever be loused up, while the entire city is helpless because even though newspapers are public enterprises, with public responsibilities, Paul Block, Jr. owns them, personally. They are his private property. He can blow spit balls with them, call names with them, make paper hats out of them, or fly kites with them.

They are his, they are a monopoly, and that's all there is to the situation.

It doesn't make any difference that while he has his tantrums, he pollutes the stream of information on which Toledo depends day by day to act intelligently.

The other crimes he projects are: arrogance, dictatorial attitudes. selfishness.

There you are, an inadvertent disclosure of what Paul Block, Jr thinks of himself.

Of course, this kind of confession is not worth much in a courtroom, but it is a key to a character, and the Lord knows Paul Block, Jr. is a character.

Once you have this information about the publisher of the Blade another question comes up:

Revealed like this in public, you have Paul Block, Jr. putting himself on display in a way that amounts to an indecent exhibition.

But again because he does have a monopoly there is nothing that can be done about it.

Toledo people have no escape from the evils of the irresponsible Block newspaper monopoly.

This spectre that is haunting Toledo is a real spectacle.

AS I SEE IT

By HOWARD SEREN,
President, Local 12, UAW-CIO

MONOPOLY, MONOPOLY, WHO'S GOT THE MONOPOLY?

THE CURRENT pastime seems to be the smearing of labor, especially labor leaders, and labor unions who have managed to grow large enough to cope with the methods used by anti-labor employers in these United States.

Howard Seren

Locally the campaign would be laughable if it did not have such tragic import. The most laughable things about the local campaign to destroy a labor union (that has become large enough to give battle to the anti-labor forces locally) and its leaders is an attorney who was sent to the nation's Capitol by the employers of Toledo to testify that Local 12 was a labor monopoly.

In the same breath that this attorney accuses a labor organization of having a monopoly he brazenly states that the law firm that he is associated with represents over twenty employers in the community, not to mention several new clients they have latched onto lately. Immediately our daily newspaper??? which has all syndicated writers, comic strips, and the wire services tied up so no one else can use them, starts yelling monopoly at Local 12. Toledo, a town of upwards of 300,000 population with one newspaper and an over-set sheet called the Times (after all the Times is really only an over-set of the Blade).

On top of this the publisher of the daily newspaper??? has taken it upon himself to tell the union members of our community what they may and may not do. Because of a deep seated hatred of our International Vice President Dick Gosser, a hatred that could only spring from an inferiority complex, he has taken it upon himself to finance a campaign of union baiting unheard of even in the days of the Pinkertons.

Unfortunately some of our members have taken some of this anti-labor guff seriously. Of course all of the noise and confusion is raised to divert the attention of the citizenry from the real monopolists in our city especially the monopolist who controls your information, the monopolist who only lets you read the anti-union poison that he wants you to read.

One very interesting thing that is bound to come to light sooner or later is the matter of financing a disgruntled ex-member of the union, in his fight to get the records of the union the amount of per capita tax paid and other things all under the guise of looking at the books of the building corporation. Sooner or later the names of other contributors to this union wrecking campaign will come to the surface. If Paul Block, Jr., donated $5,000 he donated more. If he made a contribution others made like contributions. The money spent in this manner could have been used for the benefit of the employees of the contributor. This brings to mind a quatrain I used in a previous column:

The jack that might be used to pay
Their men the union scale,
They take instead and subsidize
A scum too foul for jail.

Letter To The Editor

Toledo, Ohio
April 11, 1950

TO: Senator Robert A. Taft
Washington, D. C.

We, the undersigned active unionists of Toledo, Ohio want to state our opposition to the Mundt-Ferguson-Nixon Bill. We urge you to oppose it.

Although the purpeted objective of this bill is the curbing of communism, we hold that it contains too many features that could be used against the trade unions generally. Its loose wording links individuals and organizations with communism simply because of their interest in liberal or labor legislation which the Communists may have supported.

Support on our part for your own low cost housing program could be described as "communist" in the language of this bill; so could our own efforts to repeal that unfair law bearing your name, the Taft-Hartley law.

In fact, even a fight by our unions for a pension or wage increase could be labelled "communist" and lay us open to prosecution by this bill.

Not only our union rights but also our civil rights stand threatened by the Mundt-Ferguson-Nixon bill. The American tradition of civil liberties has always insisted on the maintenance of the rights of all minorities, political, religious, racial or national. Repressive legislation aimed at one minority inevitably spreads to harm all minorities.

In seeking to legislate against the Communist Party we depart from the American tradition. The UAW, as well as the CIO have demonstrated that the way to challenge communism is on the field of open debate. Any other way can be disastrous to our democracy.

The sponsors of this type of legislation are open to suspicion. It is not only that they fear basic democratic freedom. But under the guise of fighting communism they are engineeding a serious blow against the entire labor movement.

The legislative move that would serve our country and its people best at this time is the repeal of the Taft-Hartley law.

Sincerely yours,

Signed . . . . William Chapman, 860 Oakwood Ave. Chairman, Toledo Wire Products Unit, Local 12, UAW-CIO.

Joe Wlodarz, 939 Wheeling Street. Chairman, Local 48, UAW-CIO.

Al Wolfinger, 649 Colburn St. Chairman, Superior Spinning Unit, Local 12, UAW-CIO.

Clarence Tucker, 1543 Ridgewood Ave. Chairman, Mather Spring Unit, Local 12, UAW-CIO.

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser, Vice President
International UAW-CIO

This Week's Guest Column Written By
JOHN A. ULLMAN

THE DEPOSITION hearings begun by John A. Bolman after he had found a friendly publisher, had been financed by that publisher, and had been introduced by the publisher to a law firm, have as their principle intent the establishment of a double-standard.

It goes like this:

UAW-CIO has a leader in Toledo named Richard Gosser. Richard Gosser saved his money and bought a hardware store. Union members and locals buy goods at this hardware store. Richard Gosser's store presumably shows a profit. Therefore, Mr. Gosser is a sinister figure.

The thing to do about a sinister figure is to haul him into court and pry into his private life—emphasizing every profit his enterprise ever made, if possible, and holding that up to public scrutiny and scorn.

Heaven help Gosser if the store did really well. That is, if anything, more subversive than just getting by.

You see, the double-standard in Toledo has established the fact that labor union leaders should not have "outside interests."

This is not very clear to me.

It is taken for granted the salaries of CIO vice presidents, while not very large, are larger than that of their subordinates; and it is to be hoped that they are large enough to permit the accumulation of a surplus—savings, a bond or two, a buck in the bank over and above food and clothing.

And when this surplus accumulates sufficiently, what should the man do with it—heave it out with the trash?

Richard Gosser bought a part ownership in a hardware store, and neither the Blade nor its attorneys seem disposed to let anyone forget it.

Doctors may own real estate, and do.

Lawyers may own or control manufacturing concerns—and Hal P. Ells (Bolman's lawyer) says he's the president of a factory himself.

Dentists may develop and market a new tooth paste.

But labor leaders are subject to investigation if they go into business.

If they go completely overboard and join with their fellows to purchase a hunting lodge for their own amusement; and if they later dispose of this camp at a substantial reduction to a labor union which wants it, the hounds bay at their heels and cry "Thief!"

This line of reasoning does not, quite frankly, impress me.

Labor leaders work harder, longer, and under more unpleasant circumstances, for less money, than any other group you can name off-hand.

Why they should not try both to provide for their present relaxation and their future security by recourse to Free Enterprise I shall never understand.

And so, before I leave Toledo I intend to stop by Colonial Hardware for some fishing tackle.

And if, before I leave, I get a chance to use the tackle at the fishing camp run by "unscrupulous labor leaders" as management spells the word, so much the better.

Inside Region 2-B

By Charles Ballard
Director Region 2-B UAW-CIO

DURING the past few months there has been an excessive leak of verbiage from certain circles in the Toledo area to the effect that the labor unions and the CIO in particular are driving business from the city.

We do not have the very latest statistics, but those which are available show that from the inception of unionism in Toledo way back around the thirties when the home town was considerably behind the nation as a whole until the present time, Toledo has become a veritable beehive of business activity. As unionism has grown in Toledo, business activity has increased in direct ratio as the following statistics prepared by the Bureau of Business Research of the University of Toledo as compared with the national survey conducted by the New York Times vividly portrays:

Index of Toledo Business Activity and Index of National Business Activity 1939-1949 Index (1930:100)

Year	Toledo	Nation
1939	87.07	94.19
1940	96.08	102.74
1941	112.90	127.23
1942	122.18	132.18
1943	141.27	137.37
1944	158.35	142.73
1945	153.17	134.74
1946	166.84	130.68
1947	185.14	145.54
1948	197.18	150.04

In 1939, when the unions in Toledo were just getting a good start Toledo was 7.12 points below the nation in average business activity but now, in 1949 when Toledo has become known as a strong Union Town, it is 47.14 points above the national average. Even after the war when the recession set in, while it is true that Toledo's average dropped 5.18 points yet the national average sagged 8.99 points. Toledo, the strong Union Town, did not do so bad as compared with the nation as a whole. Note carefully, that as Toledo became organized, business flourished.

Why should business not flourish in a union town? Union workers are permanent, stable and productive. Union labor has a much greater stake in its home town than all the hired-help management, absentee ownership corporations put together. This is our home. We are here to stay. We do not fold our tents and silently steal away when the going gets rough.

This is where we will bring up our families, where we will retire gracefully (on adequate pensions), where we will die and be buried, where our children and our children's children after us will live.

Let the Chamber of Commerce and the local newspaper return to familiar ground. Let their slogan be, "Toledo is a good place to work."

Gems Of Thought

CHILDHOOD

The interests of childhood and youth are the interests of mankind.

—Janes

What the best and wisest parent wants for his own child that must the community want for all its children.

—John Dewey

Who feels injustice; who shrinks before a slight; who has a sense of wrong so acute, and so glowing a gratitude for kindness, as a generous boy?

—Thackeray

A deceit or falsehood is never wise. Too much cannot be done towards guarding and guiding well the germinating and inclining thought of childhood.

—Mary Baker Edd

Meanie Role Given To Alfonso Bedoya

HOLLYWOOD — Alfonso Bedoya, noted Mexican actor who shot to fame on the American screen with his portrayal of the bandit in "Treasure of Sierra Madre," has been signed by Columbia to play the sadistic West Indies prison overseer in "Fortunes of Captain Blood," starring Louis Hayward and Patricia Medina. Harry Joe Brown produces, Gordon Douglas directing.

Bedoya, who recently completed top roles in "Street of Laredo," and "Border Incident," will join a featured cast in "Fortunes of Captain Blood which includes George Macready, Dona Drake and Lowell Gilmore.

Spinach-Stuffed Fillets Make Novel Treat
(See Recipes Below)

Luncheon Ideas

MANY WOMEN would like to entertain a few friends for luncheon, but they worry about what to serve, and how it can look pretty. Should it be elaborate? Does it have to be practically a dinner? These are two of the primary questions that come up with the unaccustomed hostess.

For the luncheon at which you want to gather together a few friends casually, plan a simple menu that can be easily served. You'll enjoy your guests so much better!

Even though you entertain six or more for luncheon, the menu should be simple, and not a dinner. Serve small portions of food, daintily and prettily. Make them feminine, and not too fattening. Your guests, dieting or maintaining weight, will appreciate this type of meal more than heavy foods which they'll have to go home to prepare for the menfolk.

A good plan for luncheon includes a clear soup, fruit cup or vegetable or fruit juice for a first course, but this may be omitted for very simple luncheons.

Plan a main dish and serve it with hot breads. Use a vegetable garnish or a salad that can be served on the same plate with the main dish.

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HERE ARE TWO pie recipes which you will enjoy using with of the above main dishes.

*** Frozen Lemon Pie**
(Serves 6)

- 1¼ cups vanilla wafer crumbs, finely rolled
- 3 tablespoons melted butter
- 3 eggs, separated
- ⅓ cup lemon juice
- ½ cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon finely grated lemon rind
- ½ pint whipping cream

Line a refrigerator tray with one cup crumbs mixed well with butter. Combine egg yolks, sugar, lemon juice and lemon rind. Cook on low heat until mixture thickens, stirring constantly. Chill and fold in whipped cream. Beat egg whites until they stand in peaks and fold into lemon mixture. Pour into lined tray and sprinkle with remaining crumbs. Freeze until firm. Cut in triangles.

Rhubarb Deep-Dish Pie
(Serves 10)

- 8 cups rhubarb cut in 1½-inch pieces
- 1½ -2 cups sugar
- ⅓ cup cornstarch
- ¼ teaspoon nutmeg
- ¼ cup butter
- 1 tablespoon orange rind
- ¼ cup orange juice
- ½ recipe pastry

Place rhubarb in colander and pour boiling water over it. Sift together sugar, cornstarch and nutmeg. Cut in butter, add orange rind and juice, and blend. Add rhubarb and mix well. Spread over bottom of 9x13-inch pan. Place 10 rectangular pieces of pastry (2¼x4¼ inches) over rhubarb mixture. Slit centers with knife for steam vent. Bake one hour in moderate oven (350°).

LYNN CHAMBERS' MENU
Chilled Tomato Juice
*Spinach-Stuffed Fillets
Cucumber Salad
Crisp Rolls Beverage
*Frozen Lemon Pie
*Recipe Given

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HERE ARE SOME novel suggestions for luncheon main dishes that are ideal when entertaining. Their preparation is simple, so the hostess may keep cool and charming.

***Spinach-Stuffed Fillets**
(Serves 6)

- 1 pound spinach or kale
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 tablespoon butter
- Salt, pepper
- 1 egg, beaten
- ¼ cup bread crumbs
- 1½ pounds fish fillets

Wash spinach thoroughly. Cook spinach and onion together with only water that clings to leaves. When tender, drain and chop. Add butter and seasonings to taste. Cool. Meanwhile cut fillets in two-inch strips. Add egg and bread crumbs to cooled spinach. Spread the mixture on each fillet, roll and fasten with toothpicks. Place, cut side up, in greased baking dish and bake at 400° for 20 minutes.

Chicken Fondue
(Serves 4)

- ¾ cup finely chopped celery.
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1 cup milk, scalded
- 1 cup soft bread crumbs
- 1 cup diced cooked chicken meat or 6 ounce can
- 1 tablespoon finely grated onion
- ¼ teaspoon pepper
- 2 eggs, separated
- ½ teaspoon salt

Cook celery in butter several minutes. Combine with milk, bread crumbs, chicken, onion and pepper. Add salt to egg whites and beat until shiny and whites form peaks that fold over when beater is withdrawn. Beat yolks. Pour milk mixture into yolks stirring constantly. Pour yolk mixture gradually over egg whites folding at the same time. Pour into ungreased 1½-quart casserole. Place casserole in a pan of hot water. Bake in a moderate oven (375°) until a knife inserted in center comes out clean, about one hour.

Toasted Crabmeat Sandwiches
(Serves 6)

- 1 cup flaked crabmeat (6½ ounce can)
- 3 hard-cooked eggs
- 1 teaspoon minced onion
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 4 tablespoons mayonnaise
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ cup grated cheese
- ⅛ teaspoon pepper
- Paprika
- 6 slices of bread

Mix the first seven ingredients into a paste. Toast one side of bread slices. Spread crabmeat mixture over untoasted side of bread. Sprinkle with grated cheese; sprinkle paprika on top. Broil four inches from unit until cheese has melted and lightly browned. Serve at once.

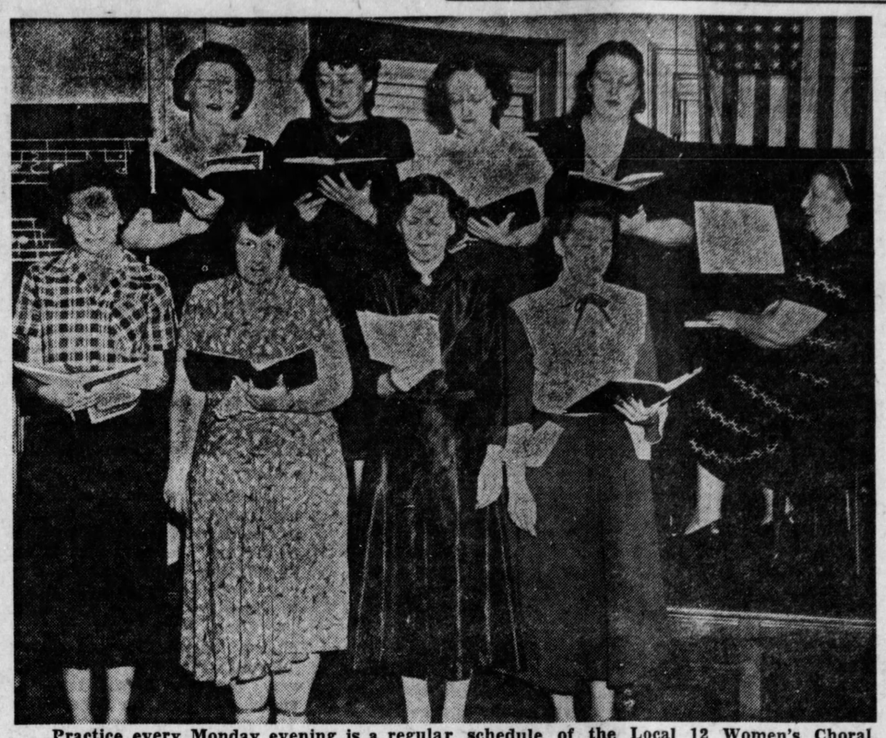
LYNN SAYS:
Store Foods Properly To Avoid Waste

To keep citrus fruit (Lemon, orange, grapefruit, etc.), place fruit cut-side-down on saucer or plate. If you have several slices of lemon or orange left over, pack them together neatly and place the pile cut-surface-down in the same way.

Cover dishes of food in mechanical refrigerator. (Rubberized or oiled silk slip-covers are easy to use).

Left-over canned fruits or vegetables may now be kept in the original tin cans with safety. (A thin film of oil over pimiento pods left in the can will keep them from molding. Olives should be kept in their liquor.)

Sterilize bread box occasionally by washing thoroughly in hot, soapy water, rinsing with boiling water, drying well and airing in sunshine. Sticky cinnamon rolls, coffee cake, etc., may be kept in the bread box with the bread or in a covered roaster.

Local 12 UAW-CIO Women's Choral Group

Practice every Monday evening is a regular schedule of the Local 12 Women's Choral group which usually entertains at special functions and union conventions. In above picture taking their singing seriously are left to right, front row, Mildred Clauses, Marion Hoy, Beatrice Nowak and Odessa Overy. Back row left to right, Neta Weston, Amelia Berning, Jennie DeLaney, Rita Friend and playing the piano is Neva Dudley.

This is another part of the group of the Women's Choral. Front row left to right, Flora Holst, Virginia Banesch, Frieda Biedinger and Genevie Turski. Back row left to right, Ann Meyers, Marie Yoey, Bertha Williams and Betty Dudley. Membership is open to all women and recently the group decided to admit male members to the choral. C. E. Broderick, director, can be contacted for membership in the group.

Region Women's Conference Set For Toledo Local May 25

The annual Women's Region 2-B UAW-CIO conference will be held on May 25 and to conclude the day's meeting with a dinner, it was announced by the committee headed by Odessa Overy, Jennie DeLaney, Neva Dudley, and Dorothy Mann.

The conference and dinner is being planned to be staged at Local 12 Hall.

Additional plans for the annual event will be announced at a later date, the committee reports.

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P. S. Lates figures show that the farmers' net income for the year 1949 dropped 17% from 1948. Food costs have stayed about the same for consumers. Wisconsin farmers who supply a huge national dairy firm with milk, received 18% less net income than in 1948. Yet the profits of these two food processors soared to an all time high in 1949. Question: Who is getting the money?

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ADA Renews Drive At Third Convention

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Larger and more powerful politically, the third annual convention of Americans for Democratic Action threshed out a platform of fighting liberalism for the year ahead ,elected former attorney general Francis Biddle as chairman, and re-elected 15 union leaders from AFL, CIO and independent unions to the executive board which will guide the organization in the year ahead.

Medico's Back Taft Campaign

Engaged In Setting Up Committees

COLUMBUS — Ohio's medical associations have thrown their weight and fund-raising machinery behind Senator Taft's campaign for reelection.

One group, the Ohio Physicians' Committee for Taft is engaged in setting up a political committee of medical men in each of Ohio's 88 counties.

According to the Committee for the Nation's Health, which exposed the doctors' dabbling in politics, these groups are to campaign for Taft with "special literature, radio and newspaper messages, group meetings and intensive work by representatives in the field."

This support for Taft results from his unrelenting opposition to a national health insurance program which would mean medical care and good health for millions now unable to afford such care.

For that reason, Ohio medical associations are organizing to assist Taft in his political campaign as one way of paying him back for his continued support of high-priced medical care.

Meanwhile, in other parts of the country, doctors are being solicited for funds for the Ohio senatorial candidate.

Making use of the chain-letter technique, which Newsweek Magazine reports has brought in more money than the Taft forces can use, the medical lobby is also operating in other states.

Chain letters sent to doctors in states outside of Ohio seek contributions from every doctor, plus letters from him to ten friends urging that they also contribute.

Fun Outdoors

Looks as though life in the sun agreed with Miami lovely Phyllis Duke.

No Ladies Behind Bar, Bartenders Say

NEW YORK (LPA) — Five girls are tending bar at Larry's on midtown Eighth Avenue, and the Local 16 of the Hotel & Restaurant Workers-AFL think's they will be the death of the industry.

The union, which is picketing Larry's, contends a woman has no business behind the bar. Dave Siegal, Local 16's president, fears that setting women to drawing beer and stirring dry martini's would "encourage prohibitionists and alienate a great many people and church organizations who would be opposed to conditions that the employment of barmaids would produce."

Local 16's officers admit the five lady barkeeps at Larry's have not been allowed to join the union. Secretary-treasurer Joseph Rodriguez says, "We don't discriminate against women but we know that it is not healthy for a woman to be behind the bar." He adds that the local has 1,000 lady members and has long plumped for equal pay for equal work. But behind the bar is another matter, he says.

Will Oppose Petition

Mrs. Rose Miller, owner of Larry's, claims the contract with the union was terminated in 1948. Siegal denies this and says the union will oppose a petition by the owner for a New York State Labor Relations Board election among employes.

The union has ample precedent for its stand. The Supreme Court has upheld a Michigan ban against barmaids in cities of more than 50,000. Minnesota has a similar law. In 1941, Illinois empowered cities to outlaw female bartending. In Atlantic City, bartenders (male), the Allied Trade Council, the North Side Ministerial Union and the Licensed Beverage Association are backing an ordinance banning the ladies from a place behind the mahogany.

What's yours, Doc?

Bob Hope To Star In "Lemon Drop Kid"

HOLLYWOOD — Paramount has started the development of another production based on a Damon Runyan story to star Bob Hope, it was disclosed recently with the signing of Edmund Beloin to prepare a treatment of the Runyon classic, "The Lemon Drop Kid."

As in the highly successful Hope starrer, "Sorrowful Jones" the forthcoming production will be peopled with the Runyon characters which have become synonymous with the colorful side of Manhattan.

Beloin produced and was one of the writers of "The Great Lover," Hope's most recent starrer in release and the industry's smash hit of 1950.

Robert Welch producer on previous Hope vehicles, has been assigned the production supervision of "The Lemon Drop Kid."

The training of children is a profession, where we must know how to lose time in order to gain it.

—Rousseau

French Reformed Church Asks Justice For Strikers

Though scoring the political exploitation and violence of the recent strikes in France, the French Reformed Church has asserted that "they do not justify refusal to take into balanced consideration the claims of people whose human dignity is not being respected."

In a message read from the pulpits of Reformed churches on March 26, the National Council of the Church called upon its people to seek harmonious solutions for "the destitution or the unbearable straits" of "so many workers." Text of the message appears below.

Text Of Statement

Meeting for the first time since the grave material difficulties weighing on a section of the population resulted in such deep disturbance in our country, the National Council of the Reformed Church of France feels impelled to state its position as follows:

We are greatly grieved by the thought that for so many workers the right to a normal life goes in effect unrecognized; there is no justice, even the most elementary, where the necessary minimum is not guaranteed.

Whatever may be the political exploitation behind the strikes, and the acts of violence which these bring in their train, they do not justify refusal to take into balanced consideration the claims of people whose human dignity is not being respected.

We call upon all those whose religious beliefs are ours, and in particular those in positions of political, economic or trade union responsibility, to go forth courageously, in a spirit of harmony and mutual sacrifice, in search of solutions whose first premise shall be that the destitution or the unbearable straits in which too many homes are now living shall in fact be borne no longer.

Rep. Celler Pays Tribute To Robertson

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Deeply moved by the death of Nathan Robertson, columnist for Labor Press Association, Rep. Emanuel Cellar (D., N. Y.), inserted in the Congressional Record of April 4 a tribute to Robertson in which he said "his loss will be a shock to all newspaperdom."

Rep. Cellar said, "Mr. Speaker, I note with real regret the death of my dear friend, Nathan W. Robertson, Washington correspondent for over 25 years. This is sad news indeed, for Nate was an exemplary newspaperman, devoted always to the public interest, diligent and painstaking in his efforts to become what he was, a good and conscientious reporter."

"Nate was a well-known figure in the House Press Gallery as well in other Federal agencies. I have known and respected him for many years, and grew to have an affectionate regard for him when he wrote the Washington column for Labor Press Associates."

"His loss will be a shock to all newspaperdom."

"Our condolences go to his parents, brothers, and his wife and children."

Fenton To Direct New Ladd Starrer

HOLLYWOOD — Paramount recently signed Leslie Fenton to direct the big-scale Technicolor out door picture, "Montana Rides," which will star Alan Ladd.

Fenton has had unusual success in directing pictures with a western background. Ladd's first outdoor starrer, "Whispering Smith,' 'which was filmed in Technicolor, scored one of the industrys' highest grosses last year, and was the most successful film Fenton has directed.

Based on the top selling Max Brand novel published in 1948, "Montana Rides" has a background of Texas and Mexico in the 1890's, telling the human relationships between two young men of different countries — a Mexican and an American.

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Aileen Stanley Signed To Paramount Pact

HOLLYWOOD — Aileen Stanley, sensational young singer and dancer who played the ingenue lead with Beatrice Lillie in the hit show, "Inside U.S.A." was signed by Paramount recently to a term contract.

Studio executives saw Miss Stanley's performance during the recent engagement of the musical in Los Angeles, and it was sufficiently impressive to lead to a quick screen test and a contract.

Regarded as one of the best best of the younger performers, Miss Stanley, who is about 20 and pretty, has been appearing on television, radio, in summer stock and night clubs.

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Men's Bowling Teams End League Schedule In Spectacular Fashion

PAC-Willys Deadlocked In Tuesday Circuit

PAC-DeVilbiss End In A Tie In Monday Loop

For the first time in years one of the Local 12 bowling leagues ended the season with co-champions. DeVilbiss and PAC did it in the Monday league at the Bowl-O-Drome lanes.

PAC did it the hard way by overcoming a lead held for many weeks by DeVilbiss. The two teams will roll-off the tie Monday at the Bowl-O-Drome.

Auto Lite finished in third place and was followed by Toledo Union Journal, Region 2-B, Willys No. 1 Standard Commutator and Willys No. 2.

The final night of bowling had the PAC team winning their three games from Willys No. 1 and DeVilbiss taking as their victims Standard Commutator.

Zeke Pawlicki hit a 541 and Leo Zielinski a 529 to pace PAC. For DeVilbiss Hank Laurich rolled 591 and Al Poltinger a 562.

Other matches saw Union Journal winning three from Willys No. 2 with George Rock having 585 and Gene Lipe a 579 for the Journal.

Harold Marohn shot 578 to lead Auto Lite for two wins from Region 2-B who had Walt Carson top bowler.

Men's Tuesday League

The championship in the Men's Tuesday Local 12 loop is undecided with another team under the banner of PAC knotted for the 12 team circuit championship with Willys UAW.

PAC made the tie possible in winning three games from Swartzbaugh while Willys UAW dropped one game to DeVilbiss by three pins.

Andy Dobrychowski led the PAC team with 556 and had help from Walt Bishop who hit 545. John Rutkai had best series for Swtartzbaugh.

In the W-O and DeVilbiss match Gene Lipe collected 573 and George Rock a 567 for the W-O bunch. Ed Niedbalski was top man for DeVilbiss.

Willys CIO having Local 12 Tap Room manager Ollie Soinski with dry hands and in fine form shooting a 575 to help his team win three from Toledo Stamping. Carl Veith was high for the losers.

Toledo Steel Tube out-bowled their shop rivals Russell for Council by winning a couple of games. Bud Young had high total for the Steel team and Ray Matuszynski posted a 575 for the Russell team.

Bingham Stamping knotted three from Toledo Pressed Steel on the fine scores of Steve Kmiec with 589 and Ed Machinski a 558. Best totals for the losers were rolled by Randy Engelhardt and Frank Schlagheck.

The only 600 series was posted by Joe Majoros that being right on the nose. Having teammate Earl Leffel contributing a 576 it was good for two games from Bee Gay Inn who had Len Duszynski best performer with 572 and Bill Sirotnyak hitting 549 in his role as a sub.

With only one week remaining on the schedule PAC holds a two game lead in the Local 12 Women's circuit at the Mercury Alleys.

The leaders made their hold on the lead more secure in winning three games from Standard Commutator. Sophie Brubaker topped the PAC team on a series of 483 and had help from Adeline Gromnicki with 455. Florence Gasbeth had best total for the Commutators.

In winning three from Willys Unit Auto Lite had Florence Snyder spilling a 466 series. Isabell Kozlowski counted a 462 for the Willys team.

DeVilbiss Spray won three from DeVilbiss Rubber with Ann Veres collecting a 454 and Rita Hepfinger a 425 for the Spray team. Lee Spross added a 470 and Mary Hansen joined the hall of oddities in scoring by rolling three identical games of 137 for a 411.

Lakeside Biscuits took three games from Janis Press with Helen Frisch totaling 462 and Emma Kertesz a 455 for the Lakesides. Ruth Abt had best series for the Press team.

Game World

Squirrels and Jays have an amusing trait in common. Both bury nuts and other surplus food in the ground. Pushing it in deep with nose or bill, then cover the site with dead leaves which are carefully patted down.

Fast sleepers such as the Bear and Racoon lose very little of their stored up fat during hibernation. With no work to do, and with heartbeat and breathing slowed down they dont need to draw on their reserves.

The Woodcock is fond of earth-worms as the Robin. But the shy timber doodle gets his crawlers the hard way, probing in bogs, woods and brushy fields, instead of taking easy pickings on well stocked lawns.

Bucks Advance In Quest Of Hockey Tilt

The Toledo Buckeyes, with two straight wins over the Eveleth (Minnesota) Rangers in the quarter-finals of the National Senior Open Championships, advanced into the semifinals and will meet the winner of the Sarnia-Chatham series of the International League which at the present is all tied up. The first Toledo game will be played at the Sports Arena on Sunday night, April 16.

In the meantime, the New York-Spokane series in Washington state is knotted at one each. Spokane, the defending champions, won the first game, while the second one went to the Rovers. The winner of that series will meet the winner of the Toledo-Sarnia-Chatham series for the National crown.

Won National Open

Two years ago the Toledo hockey team, after winning the International League title, went on to win the National Open championship in their second year of competition. This season, by virtue of winning the Eastern League title, they became eligible to enter the playdowns for the National Open crown.

They drew Eveleth for their first opponent and eliminated the Northern League champions in two straight games, 7-1 and 7-2.

New York eliminated Boston and Milwaukee to enter the semifinals against the defending champions at Spokane.

Team In Shape

Coach Andy Mulligan reports that the entire Buckeye squad will be ready to take the ice Saturday against the International League leaders, and workouts have been ordered for the squad during the week.

Tickets are now on sale at the Sports Arena box office, the B R Baker Company ticket office in downtown Toledo, and the Buckeye Paint Company, 3401 Collingwood. Prices are $1.00, $1.25, $1.50 and $1.75, including tax.

Special Track For Rollers At Sports Arena

Hell on wheels roars into Toledo on Friday, April 21. Starting with "warmups" at 8:30 P.M., Roller Derby battles are slated nightly through Sunday, May 7, on a special banked track between two teams with five boys and a like number of girls on each team. The crack Toledo Westerners is scheduled to take on the Jersey Jolters in the opening clash.

There will be performances nightly at 8:30, with the exception of Thursday, April 27, and Sundays, April 23, April 30, and May 7. On the three Sundays there will be matinees only at 3:00. There will not be a performance on Thursday, April 27, as there will be wrestling matches in the Arena at 8:30 that evening. Tickets for the Roller Derby are now on sale at the Sports Arena, the B R Baker Company ticket office and the Buckeye Paint Company, 3401 Collingwood.

IN THIS CORNER with E. C. "RED" MAC DONALD

JOSE Aviles may be a bum when it comes to boxing but they certainly don't come anymore brazen than the 23-year-old Puerto Rican mechanic.

You'll probably recall Aviles is the guy who passed himself to Wichita, Kansas promoters as Tuzo (Kid) Portuguez recently and then proceeded to get chilled after two minutes and 33 seconds in the opening round.

At this writing Aviles was in a Kansas jail charged with impersonating and unable to raise $5,000 bond.

In the Wichita fight Aviles was knocked out by middleweight Alvin Williams and gave such a poor account of himself ring officials became suspicious. He had arranged the fight, under Portuguez name, by showing a scrapbook of clippings and reporting what great fights he had had in New York.

After he was arrested in Kansas City last Saturday Aviles said he heard the Kid had retired from boxing. "And also," Aviles said, "my friends said I looked like him."

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THE CURRENT basketball tour of the Harlem Globetrotters and College All-Stars swings into Detroit tomorrow night and from all indications it looks as though the series will be close right down to the wire.

Now we may be wrong but it begins to look like the Trotters might be letting the college boys win a few games for attendance purposes. Say, for example, the professionals would have won the first ten straight with ease. You can readily see what would happen to the gate.

It is hard to believe that a group of college players, no matter how good, who have never played together before three or four weeks ago, could stand up against a team of the Globetrotter's calibre. The Trotters are tested and have played well over 100 games together just in this season.

The series could be on the level but unless the Trotters start winning more games than they have, we'll continue to doubt it.

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THOUGH THE WEATHER was more like football season last week, baseball, for the most part, will start its 1950 campaign next Tuesday. The Toledo Mud Hens will open their season at Swayne Field against the Louisville Colonels and after many years of lean baseball here it begins to look as though better things are in store for local fans.

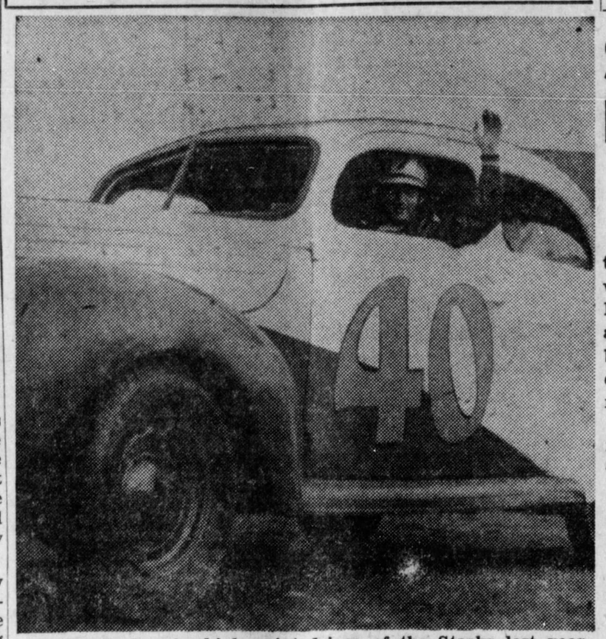
We aren't even hinting that the Little World Series will be played here next fall but we do believe the Hens will climb out of the cellar position they occupied last season. With a few breaks Toledo could very easily end in the first division.

True, many of the faces on last year's club are back but the team has been bolstered in key spots. Pitching, for example, which was a nightmare last summer, has been improved greatly with the arrival of several young players up from Detroit farm clubs.

If one can judge anything from spring games in Florida, the Hens have strengthened their pitching tremendously. And with the right hand hurling any team can be a threat.

Whatever the team status is, it always needs crowd support so try and get out to the opener Tuesday. As Manager Eddie Mayo has said, "The team will always play hustling baseball and give Toledo lots of action." **So get behind the club.**

In Stock Car Race Sunday



Frank Canale, high point driver of the Stocks last year, driving the Wayne Wall Special.

Tid Bits From The Sports Desk

By NORM MEYERS

TEN YEARS ago Bob Feller, 22-year-old Cleveland pitcher, scored a no-hit, 1-0 victory over the White Sox in opening game at Chicago.

Blaine Rideout, North Texas State track ace, set a new meet record for the mile by running a 4:10.1 at the Kansas Relays.

Norm Meyers

Cornelius Warmerdam, representing the San Francisco Olympic Club in a triangular meet at Berkley, California, became the first man in track history to pole vault 15 feet.

Bobby Bauer of the Boston Bruins was awarded the Lady Byng trophy.

Jimmy Demaret captured the Masters at Augusta, Ga. . . . Willie Hoppe beat Welker Cockran for the world three-cushion billiard title.

MONTHLY SPORT TEASER

EVERYBODY KNOWS that when the St. Louis Browns won the American League Pennant in 1944, they completed the list of major teams who had made the World Series grade. All 15 other teams in the National and American Leagues had won at least one pennant before the Browns, so the Browns were the 16th major league team to gain a championship. Now, then, the question is which was the 15th club to win a pennant, the next to the last of major teams to know the glory and gold of the World Series?

The answer is the Cardinals, who won their first pennant in 1926. Prior to that season 14 other major league clubs all had flown pennants from their flag poles.

If the Cardinals got a late start, they have certainly made up for it. They added eight more after the first one.

Handicapped Athletes

ONE arm did not prevent Pete Gray from moving up to St. Louis Browns during the war years. His incredible athletic achievement is now matched by news from Guelph, Ontario, that Ontario Agricultural College's 155-pound boxing champion is Lloyd Dean, like Gray, has only one arm but his two victories have enabled him to cop the Ontario school's fistic honors. He is 22, also plays basketball, soccer and hockey. Which also brings to mind Columbia University's current wrestling sensation, Gene Manfrini. Strangely, Manfrini, like Dean, is a 155-pounder. But Gene's handicap is complete blindness. College wrestling addicts who have seen Manfrini claim that the young man is one of the finest amateur wrestlers seen in the East in years. Manfrini is also a brilliant student, uses an unusual braille shorthand recorder to take notes during lecture classes.

Gun Cranks

IF YOU are a lover of guns and haven't seen the new Ithaca catalog, you have a treat coming. It is crammed with guns, shooting tips, and everything a gun crank loves. You can get it by sending 10c to Ithaca Gun Co., Box 6, Ithaca, N.Y. Ithaca, you know, is the gun for either right handers or left handers. They make a safety on either side, and that bottom ejection of shells is the neatest improvement made on shotguns since smokeless powder! Write for the catalog and see what many sportsmen consider the top shotgun of this country is all about. And it's light to handle.

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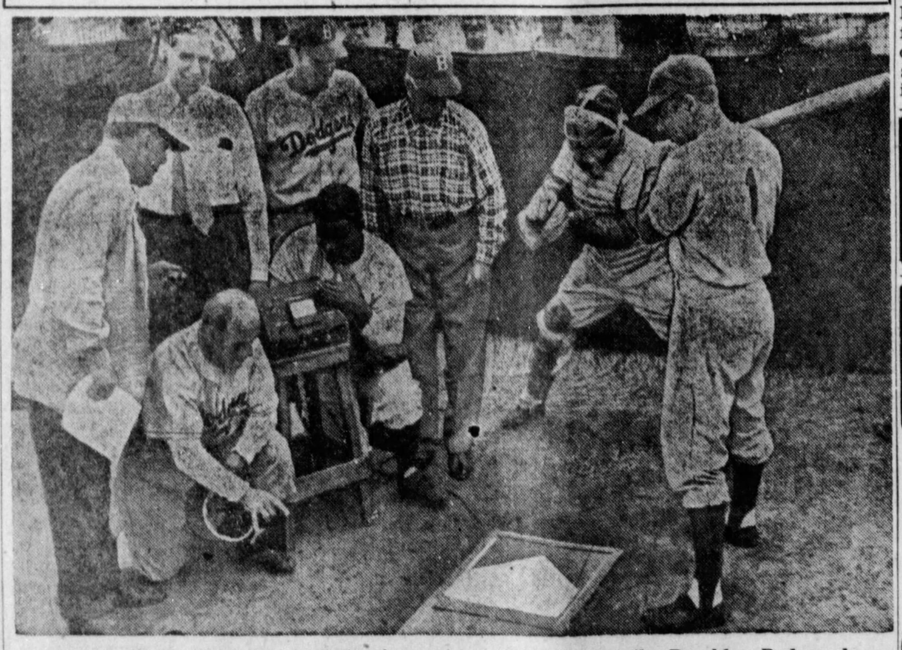
PLACE a small bottle of clear nail polish in your tackle box. It's ideal for quick repairs on chipped plugs, loose rod windings, damaged windings of bass plugs, flies, etc. A drop of this polish on a mosquito bite will stop the itching almost instantly.

No More Rhubarb



You can't talk back to an electronic umpire and that's what the Brooklyn Dodgers have installed at their Vero Beach, Fla, training camp. Pee-Wee Reese is at the plate (right) during a demonstration. Others interested are (left to right) Dodgers prexy Branch Rickey; Dick Shea, demonstrator; outfielder Duke Snider; manager Burt Shotton and catcher Bruce Edwards. Kneeling are umpire Bill Stewart and second baseman Jackie Robinson. If a ball passes through the zone a light flashes. If the ball is outside, no lights. The gadget also measures the speed of pitched balls.

All Local Talent On Boxing Card Tonight

All Of Six Bouts Includes A Toledo Boy For Top Notch Show

Hustling Hank Risk and Charlie Cotton, a pair of former Golden Gloves champions, will headline the professional boxing show tonight in the Civic Auditorium. The card of 36 rounds includes a Toledo boy in every bout.

Also scheduled to see action are Buddy Carr, Jim (Red) Elby, Kelly Hymore and Duke Balcerzak. All newcomers to the pro game but with experience enough to more than hold their own.

Treat For Fans

This is the show fight fans have dreamed of for the past two decades and the type believed necessary to keep the sport alive here. Promoter Sid Goldburg has gone to no ends to provide a top-notch show.

In one 10-rounder Cotton will meet Tommy Darough, a Flint, Mich. swinger. Cotton, who has been working as a sparring partner for the fast-rising Lester Felton, has only been beaten twiec in 24 pro encounters.

A damaging puncher with either hand, Cotton is definitely on the way up. He faces a tough task in Darough, however, as the Michigan boy is well regarded. Darough has defeated Sammy Mastrean, Rudy Zadell and Irish Jimmy Sanders.

Risk In Main Go

Risk, who dropped a close decision to Mastrean two weeks ago, will face Johnny Paoletti of Akron, in the other main go. In Paoletti, Risk will be battling one of the best fighters he has met. The Akron swinger kayoed Clay Milliron recently. Milliron has split in two fights with Risk.

Carr, successful in two pro engagements, tangles with Joe Young, Flint, in one of the 4-rounders. Hymore will face Bucky Gardner of Akron in another and Elby will seek revenge against Joey Lozano of Detroit.

The former Navy champ lost to Lozano recently at Lansing but ringside observers said a series of low blows was responsible for Elby's defeat. Elby contends he was struck several times by such blows.

As an added incentive for a large crowd, Promoter Goldburg has announced part of the proceeds will go to the Shamrock Athletic Club to procure equipment for a baseball team, boxing squad and other athletic purposes.

Stock Car Race Sunday

Prominent Drivers Billed To Appear

Ft. Miami fans will be treated to new hard-top style of racing, which made its debut in the Toledo area last year. Plans to award them in the best way will be made this season by the Jechura brothers, Toledo race promoters.

The brothers plan an outstanding array of cars here Sunday afternoon and every Sunday thereafter. We feel that Stock Car Racing is the most thrilling sport ever to hit the oval at the Ft. Miami fairgrounds they said. The Stock cars, "fast running pleasure cars", that are driven by youths and men who are always out to win, will take the track at 1 p.m. for time trials. The program of racing will be run under sanction of the All-Star Racing Association, a local group under the direction of Harry Maynor, who has strived to give the racing public the utmost in Hard-Top racing the promoters said.

Noted Drivers

Some of the drivers who will appear for the Sunday program include Dean Stiveson, local speedster who has driven everything connected with speed, Chuck Aldrich of Toledo who has a very heavy foot and a lot of race knowhow, Fibber Walters the jovial pudgy boy of the race track who is everyones friend and is as unpredictable as the weather, Shorty Mitchell the youth who has busted up more fences and rolled up more canvas than any other driver, will be on hand for plenty of thrills, plus a host of other well known drivers.

Quarter Mile Records

The Stock cars are not too far behind the midgets in the matter of speed. The quarter mile oval records show only a few seconds difference in one lap times. The Stock car drivers try every means of getting the lead. If they are unable to get it by speed and expert driving they simply push the racer ahead out of the way. As a result cars are wrecked and tempers flare.

Qualifying, consolation, heat races and special events form the program, it sounds like the midgets, but there the resemblance ends.

Surface, Scales Still Tie For Basketball Title

League Champs To Meet Monday For Local Championship

Only one game was played on the last night scheduled in the American League. Surface Combustion took the measure of Spicer to the tune of 62 to 32 to remain in a tie for first place with the Toledo Scales who won on a forfeit when National Supply failed to show up for their game. In the third game slated for the evening neither Auto Lite No. 1 nor the Doehler Jarvis teams put in appearance.

On Monday night April 17th the first two teams in each league will meet to determine the Local 1950 Championship.

In the first game scheduled for 7 p.m. Mastin Parry winner of the National League championship will meet Surface Combustion. At 8 p.m. Toledo Scales will take on second place Auto Lite No. 2 of the National League. The winners of these two games will then take the floor to determine the top team for both leagues.

DO YOU KNOW: That polo is said to be the grandfather of Hockey, Golf, and Cricket.

DO YOU KNOW: That the original rugby game called for 40 to 100 players.

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Johnny Weissmuller is coming to the Toledo Sports Arena May 16 through May 21, bringing his own revue, the "Watercade," the most costly collection of stage and water acts ever assembled.

The film and sports idol of everyone who has been an American kid in the past two decades, and shy and unsophisticated despite nearly twenty years as the tree-climbing Tarzan, the greatest swim record-holder of all time was finally forced into a public appearance as a result of his official selection last month by the nation's sportswriters as the "Greatest Swimmer of the Half-Century."

In the pool and in the diving tank, Johnny himself will quickly show the strokes by which he made more world, national and Olympic records than any rival. Briefly, he will illustrate his famed instructions, "At Ease In the Water," read and followed by millions. A dozen other star, water and diving, straight and comedy, acts are included.

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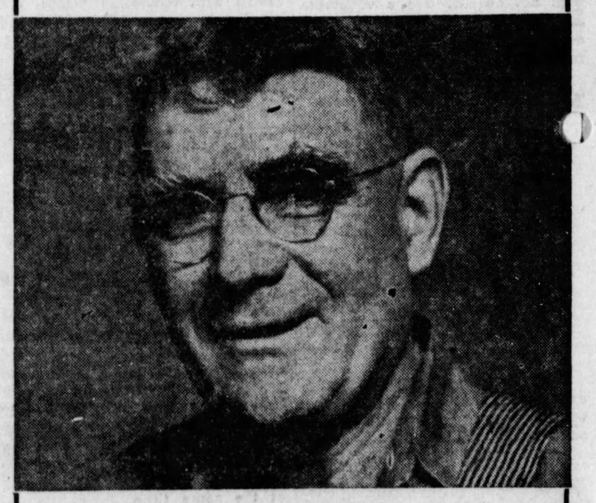

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